

# Annual REPORT



1956



**TWO HUNDRED AND THIRTY-EIGHTH**

**ANNUAL REPORT**

**OF THE**

**TOWN OFFICERS**

**OF THE**

**TOWN OF BELLINGHAM**



**MASSACHUSETTS**

**For the Year Ending December 31, 1956**





**ELECTED TOWN OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR 1956**

**Selectmen**

ZEPHIRIN J. REMILLARD, Chairman

WALTER P. LEWINSKI

ALFRED M. COTE

**Town Clerk**

LIONEL R. TRUDEAU

**Town Treasurer**

WALTER D. RICHARD

**Tax Collector**

JOSEPH M. BONOLLO

**School Committee**

JOSEPH SPAS, Chairman

LOUIS DAIGLE

EUGENE LEMIRE

ABBEY FAGAN

ROLAND ROBIDOUX

**Board of Public Welfare**

ROGER RUE

ROLAND TROTTIER

CHESTER GASKILL

**Tax Assessors**

ELLSWORTH CROOKS

DONAT LAPLANTE

EARL F. ROGERS

**Water Commissioners**

WILROSE DALPE

RODOLPHE BEAUREGARD

ARTHUR AYOTTE

**Tree Warden**

SYLVIO DALPE

**Moderator**

ANDOR deJONY

**Cemetery Committee**

CARLTON GASKILL

ALBERT HOULE

JAMES E. YATES

**Public Library Trustees**

SARAH WRENN

LILLIAN AREL

MARIE C. CROUSE

FRANCES LEBLANC

THELMA AMBLER

MATILDA HARPER

**Constables**

HAROLD E. COOK

RAYMOND S. DALPE

ROMEO P. GODIN

WILFRED LEBLANC

**Finance Committee****Precinct 1** HILDA BEDEZ

Term expires 1959

LAWRENCE WHITTEMORE

Term expires 1958

RICHARD AMBLER

Term expires 1957

**Precinct 2** JOSEPH MENENDEZ

Term expires 1959

HERMAN G. DUVALL

Term expires 1958

HENRY JOHNSON

Term expires 1957

**Precinct 3** GEORGE HACHEY

Term expires 1959

HENRI MASSON

Term expires 1958

DOLORES MARTEL

Term expires 1957

**APPOINTED OFFICERS FOR 1956**

**Workman's Compensation Agent**

WILFRED ARCAND

**Clerk of Board of Selectmen**

ALFRED M. COTE

**Highway Superintendent**

WILFRED ARCAND

**Chief of Police**

EUCLIDE FLEUETTE

**Town Accountant**

JOSEPH I. TAYLOR

**Janitor—Town Hall**

JOHN FROMENT

**Janitor—North Community Bldg.**

DOMINIC NADOLNY

**Janitor—South Community Bldg.**

EUGENE LUSSIER

**Dog Officer**

EUCLIDE FLEUETTE

**Inspector of Wires**

ROLAND BELLIVEAU

**Inspector of Slaughtering**

LIONEL BOITEAU

**Town Counsel**

LEO A. GOSSELIN

**Sealer of Weights & Measures**

ADRIEN TRUDEAU

**Inspector of Animal & Milk**

DELPHIS GELINAS

**Veterans' Agent**

JAMES WRENN

**Dump Caretaker**

A. L. BRUNELLE

**Fire Chief**

PETER KORNICKI

**Deputy Fire Chief**

VINCENT THAYER

**Forest Fire Chief**

PETER KORNICKI

**Health Officer**

HAROLD SCHENKER, M.D.

**Sextons**

JAMES YATES

CARLTON GASKILL

ALBERT HOULE

**Surveyors of Wood and Lumber**

ELLSWORTH CROOKS

SYLVIO DALPE

RICHARD AMBLER

HAROLD COOK

ELMER AMBLER



**Fence Viewers**

EARL ROGERS      DONAT LAPLANTE      ELLSWORTH CROOKS

**Public Weighers**

DONALD VARNEY      CLARENCE VARNEY      JOHN CHICK  
 ARAM ARCHAMBEAULT      ERNEST BELCHER

**Special Police Officers**

OSCAR TRUDEAU      ROSARIO TRUDEAU      ALFRED MAJEAU  
 DOMINIC NADOLNY      OVILA MAJEAU

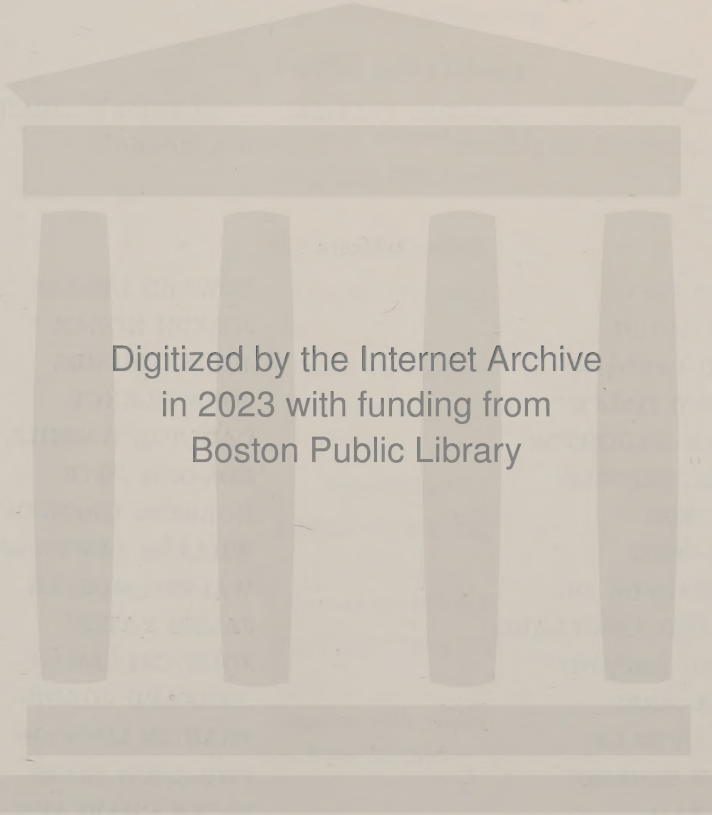
**Police Officers**

HAROLD COOK	EDWARD LEMIRE
ROMEO GODIN	JOSEPH KOZAK
ALFRED LEBLANC	JULIEN DUBOIS
RAYMOND DALPE	JOHN CLANCY
WILLIAM NAUGHTON	CARLTON GASKILL
GABRIEL BERNIER	EDMOND COTE
ROGER RUE	NORBERT GRENIER
LEO POIRIER	WILLIAM LEWINSKI
OMER HARPIN, JR.	WALTER MOSTEK
BERTRAND REMILLARD	JAMES YATES
WILFRED ARCAND	JOHN CALLAHAN
MARCEL AREL	BERNARD JOANIS
EARL LEVIELLE	FRANCIS LOCKLIN
GEORGE BERARDI	PHILEMON RIVET
LEO PLEAU	PETER CHARLAND
LAWRENCE GUAY	JOHN FROMENT
TIMOTHY ALLEN	ELMER AMBLER

EUGENE LEMIRE

**Municipal Athletic Field Committee**

DAVID TUTTLE      ARTHUR MARCHAND      MICHAEL BONOLLO  
 WILFRED ARCAND      WARREN WHITING



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**For the Year Ending December 31, 1956**





## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

The Board of Selectmen which was composed of Alfred M. Cote, Zephirin J. Remillard and Walter P. Lewinski, organized for the year 1956, with Zephirin J. Remillard being voted as Chairman and Alfred M. Cote as Clerk.

**State Audit:** The Board requested the State Division of Accounts to conduct an audit of receipt and expenses for the year 1956 of all departments, and all were verified and checked in detail.

**Fire Dept.:** This department was very ably managed by Chief Kornicki and reflects once again the zeal and energy the members of both the Fire and Rescue division show.

This department is one of the better equipped fire and rescue units for a town of this size, but must be maintained at its present level, by appropriations large enough for this purpose.

**Veterans:** James Wrenn has operated this board with a business acumenship that has been splendid and has the admiration of this board and veterans for the problems are many and complex.

**Street Lights:** The program of the extension of street lights will be continued this year as in the past with several lights to be proposed in the following areas: Scott Hill Acres, Green Acres, Open Air Theater, and others.

**Highways:** Wilfred Arcand as Supt. of Highways is doing such a terrific and credible task that little can be said as his performance speaks for him.

Highway improvements will continue as in the past and Route 126 will be considered as in dire need in some places.

**Health:** This Board feels that more money should be appropriated to rectify and greatly improve conditions at the town dump and will present same at the Annual Town Meeting.

**Town Buildings:** The parking lot at the town hall should be surfaced to remedy the conditions that are present and therefore this board feels more money be appropriated to scope with same. The other buildings in town should be maintained in its present good order.

**Police Dept.:** The Board of Selectmen will propose a plan to rejuvenate the police department and put this on a schedule of three officers in conjunction with a plan for radio coverage thus assuring the townspeople of a prowler car always alerted.

We wish to thank all the people of Bellingham and various departmental heads for their splendid cooperation this past year.

Respectfully submitted,

ZEPHIRIN J. REMILLARD

WALTER P. LEWINSKI

ALFRED M. COTE

Selectmen of Bellingham

## REPORT OF THE CHIEF OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Board of Selectmen  
Bellingham  
Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

As Chief of Police I hereby submit the report of my department for the year ending December 31, 1956.

Complaints received and investigated	494
Accidents investigated	107
Summons served for out of town Police Departments	42
Arrests made for out of town Police Departments	5
Arrests made for:	
Assault and battery	5
Indecent assault	1
Breaking and entering and larceny	6
Keeping unlicensed dogs	1
Disturbing the peace	7
Driving so as to endanger	9
Driving under the influence of liquor	6
Drunk	4
Fornication	2
Fraud	4
Larceny	2
Motor Vehicles Laws Violations	17
Liquor Laws Violations	3
Stubborn child	2

I wish to thank the police officers for the co-operation they have given me in the past.

Sincerely,

EUCLIDE A. FLEUETTE

Chief of Police

## REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF SLAUGHTERING

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Slaughtering this past year was light, and was approved according to the General Laws, and animals sold alive were slaughtered in licensed establishments.

Respectfully submitted,

LIONEL BOITEAU

Inspector of Slaughtering

## REPORT OF THE DOG OFFICER

Board of Selectmen  
Bellingham  
Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

As dog officer, I hereby submit my report for the year ending December 31, 1956.

Complaints received and investigated	183
Dogs injured by automobile	23
Dogs killed by automobiles	18
Dogs killed for destroying	8
Property of owners damaged by dogs	12
Persons bitten by dogs	25
Stray dogs confined, killed, and buried	82
Dogs killed request of owners	9

All dogs must be licensed by April 1st.

Respectfully submitted,

EUCLIDE A. FLEUETTE

Dog Officer

## REPORT OF INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS AND MILK

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

As required by law, and in accordance with Section 19, Chapter 129 of the General Laws, I inspected all dairy farms and dairies in town and found them satisfactory.

Producers in Bellingham are taking the necessary measures to produce clean and sanitary milk.

Respectfully submitted,

DELPHIS GELINAS

Inspector of Animals and Milk



## REPORT OF THE CHIEF OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

As Chief of the Fire Department and as Forest Fire Warden, I hereby wish to submit the following combined report for the Fire Department, Forest Fire Department and the Ambulance-Rescue Division.

The alarms answered by the above mentioned departments as follows:

Building Fires	15
Chimney Fires	5
Brush and Woodland Fires	27
Grass Fires	17
Dump Fires	16
Miscellaneous Emergency Calls	5
Automobile Fires	4
Assistance to other towns (Mutual Aid)	4
Ambulance-Rescue Calls	60
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>153</b>

I wish to extend my sincere thanks and say, "well done", to the officers and men of both stations for their splendid cooperation and untiring efforts in maintaining the department at topnotch fighting strength.

Under the supervision of Mr. Edmond Gentes, Training Director of the Ambulance-Rescue Division, we have a thoroughly trained group of men who are qualified in all phases of first-aid, oxygen therapy and rescue work. These men attend regular training and practice sessions and at present three members of the Ambulance-Rescue Division are qualified First-Aid Instructors.

Fortunately, the Town with the aid of the Civilian Defense has purchased three permanent two-way radios and two portable two-way radios. The permanent two-way radios are installed one each in the Diamond "T" Pumpers and Rescue-Ambulance. The two portables are assigned to Deputy Chief Vincent Thayer and to me to be used in our privately owned automobiles. The fact that the Department has these radios should prove a great asset to the Town.

I realize that Mutual Aid has cost the Town a considerable amount of money. However, since we are assured that we may rely on all adjoining towns to furnish the same Mutual Aid protection for our town, I hope it is considered a good insurance policy.

The Department is very thankful to the Highway and Water Departments for their fine cooperation in keeping us informed of all highways and hydrants under repair.

For a town the size of Bellingham, we have been very fortunate to have had a minimum of fires. I sincerely hope and request that all residents of the Town will continue to take the necessary precautions to keep fires at a minimum so as to prevent loss of lives, homes and damage to property.

In regard to the Ambulance-Rescue Division, the actual cost of operating and maintaining same has cost the Town less than one dollar (\$1.00) per day.

As Chief of the Fire Department, I am recommending to the Finance Committee and also requesting that all citizens of the Town appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00, to be taken from the Surplus Revenue Fund, and to be invested in bonds or otherwise earmarked toward the future purchase of a new 750 gallon pumper; this to be purchased within the next five years in order to have the Department continue to grow with the population and homes in the Town.

I also wish to express my sincere thanks to the Board of Selectmen for their splendid cooperation and understanding which they have given to the Department.

In conclusion, I hope that the Fire, Forest Fire and Ambulance-Rescue Departments will continue to receive the splendid cooperation from all sources in the future as they are now receiving. I also hope that the Departments will continue to grow along with the Town in order to provide the maximum of protection to lives, homes and properties.

Respectfully submitted,  
PETER KORNICKI

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## REPORT OF THE TREE WARDEN

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Ninety-nine trees had to be cut down. All of these trees were dangerous. Names of trees which had to be taken down are as follows:

60 Elm, 14 Maple, 10 Oak, 2 Apple, 2 Poplar, 2 pine.

Trimming had been done on following streets:

Wrentham Road, Lake Street, Maple Street, So. Main Street, No. Main St., and part of Blackstone Street.

There remains at least 175 trees or more to be taken down.

Trimming should be done on the following streets:

Paine Street, No. Main Street, Blackstone Street, North Street, Hartford Street, Farm Street, Maple Street, Cross Street and High Street.

Respectfully submitted,  
SYLVIO DALPE  
Tree Superintendent

## REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and to the Citizens of Bellingham:

The following is a report of work done on the various streets and highways of the town during the year ending Dec. 31, 1956.

The following streets were treated and sealed with bituminous asphalt and tar, in whole or in parts, under Chapter 81 in which general highway and street repairs are made:

North St.	Paine St.	Stockholm St.
Elm St.	Pleasant St.	Lafayette St.
Freeman St.	Lawrence St.	Prospect St.
Andrew St.	Pothier St.	Pickering St.
Linwood St.	Arthur St.	Easy St.
Cross St.	Center St.	Scott Hill Blvd.
Lakeshore Dr.	Pelletier Dr.	Elbow Street
Meadow Road	Lake St.	Pearl St.
Pine Street	No. Main St.	Westminster Ave.
So. Main St.	Depot St.	Lakeview Ave.

### Mix-in Place

Mix-in Place sand and stone and asphalt was done on Mann Street and on Southerly side of Bliss Road.

All necessary routine cleaning of catch basins and drainage of the Town streets was done as expeditiously as possible.

The following streets were scraped in whole or in parts:

Blackstone Street	Mill St.	High St.
Atlanta St.	Middle Ave.	River St.
Fourth Ave.	Elvira St.	Railroad St.
Mellon Street	Grove St.	Farm St.
Fifth Ave.	Taunton St.	Hixon Pl.
Granite St.		

Brush cutting on the following streets in whole or in parts:

So. Main St.	No. Main St.	Hartford Ave.
Pulaski Blvd.	Paine St.	Wrentham St.
Maple St.		

An emergency occurred in which a number of streets were washed out, requiring filling in with Gravel and Patch. Those streets are as follows:

So. Main St.	No. Main St.	Hartford Ave.
Wrentham St.	Lake St.	Lakeshore Dr.
Pulaski Blvd.	Center St.	Scott Hill Blvd.
Farm St.	Railroad St.	Pelletier Dr.
Central Blvd.	Cross St.	North St.
Paine St.	Blackstone St.	Maple St.
Grove St.	Harpin St.	Main Ave.
Taunton St.	Scott St.	Mellon St.
Mann St.		

All necessary routine repairs, cleaning catchbasins, patching, graveling, scraping, drainage, brush, asphalt tarring, and dragging under Chapter 81 was done as expeditiously as possible per agreement between the Board of Selectmen and the State Highway Engineers and your Superintendent of Streets.

### **Chapter 90 Maintenance**

A mix-in place was done on Pulaski Blvd. 2,540 feet from Crookes Corner Northerly and North Main Street 1,565 feet. And a Surf treat was done on No. Main Street 3,000 feet.

This work was done under Chapter 90 Maintenance as per agreement between the Board of Selectmen and the State Engineers and your Superintendent of Streets.

### **Chapter 90 Construction**

Three curves were eliminated on South Main Street. The road was widened from 16 to 28 feet and added shoulder work that give motorists a better view along the entire stretch. This job is not completed. We still have shoulder work drainages and sealed on top of the mix-in place.

This work was done under Chapter 90 Construction as per agreement between the Board of Selectmen and the State Engineers and your Superintendent of Streets.

We extend our thanks to the Lake Hiawatha Association for their donation of 6200 yards of Bank Gravel.

### **Sidewalk Maintenance**

Working on the Following sidewalk Repairing and Patching:  
So. Main St. and Pulaski Blvd.

### **Highway Sand Cleaning**

On following streets in parts or in whole:

So. Main St.	No. Main St.	Pulaski Blvd.
Mann St.	Elm St.	Bliss Road
Stockholm St.	Pleasant St.	Pickering Ave.
Lafayette St.	Pothier St.	Oak Terrace
Linwood Ave.	Prospect St.	Governor Ave.
Lawrence St.	Cutler St.	California Ave.
Essex St.	Suffolk St.	Lakeshore Dr.
Arthur St.	Moody St.	Central Blvd.
Spring St.	Roy St.	Carriers Ave.
Oak St.	Porier St.	Potter Circle
No. Center St.	So. Center St.	Douglas Dr.
James St.	Short St.	Chamberlain Road
Easy St.	Pond St.	Florida Ave.
Stensen St.	Central St.	Cranberry Meadow Rd.
Archer St.	Scott St.	Lowland Rd.



Chestnut St.	Mansion St.	Scott Hill Blvd.
Norfolk St.	Orchard St.	Hartford Ave.
Winter St.	Salisbury St.	Roudeau Road
Trenton St.	Hunt St.	Woodland Road
Glen St.	Mohawk St.	Brisson Ave.
Center St.	Beech St.	McKean St.
Maple St.	Plain St.	Pearl St.
Freeman St.		

These streets were done with a Sweeper once this year but they should be done twice in one year.

### Highway General

Repairs on the following streets were made, including scraping, graveling, drainage, brush, patch, and sand; sub-soil in whole or in part, under Highway General:

Chamberland Rd.	No. Center St.	So. Center Street
Garder St.	Lake St.	Lakeview Ave.
Silver Ave.	Cross St.	Central St.
Wrentham St.		

### Bridges and Railing

On the following streets; making cement posts for various streets and repairing railings:

So. Center St.	No. Main St.	Westminster Ave.
Lake St.	So. Main St.	Garden Street
Harpin St.		

Annual Town Meeting of March 1956 Repairs and Improvements on Various Streets.

The most ambitious drainage work ever undertaken by the town highway department, Westminster Ave., drain pipes, approximately one-half mile of them, have been put into use on both side of the road, ending a serious water problem that has plagued the area for years. The new system has tie-in pipes and catch basins for future expansion of the system.

A total of \$25,487 was appropriated for the project at the annual town meeting in March with \$10,071 voted for the east side of the Pulaski Blvd. to along Summer Street, \$15,416 was voted for the west side of Pulaski Blvd. on Westminster Ave. to Pothier Street.

### **Moody Street**

Moody Street distance 640 feet; resurfaced said street with mix-in place with asphalt and sidewalk in front of school.

### **Garden Street**

Garden Street distance of 125 feet; resurfaced with hot top, and setting cement posts.

### **Chamberlain Road**

Chamberlain Road—Distance 952 feet. Drainage, Excavation, sand, gravel, pea stone, asphalt mix.

### **So. Center Street**

So. Center Street—Distance of 600 feet. Drainage, Excavation, sand, gravel, pea stone, asphalt mix.

### **No. Center Street**

No. Center Street—Distance of 400 feet. Drainage, Excavation, sand, gravel, pea stone, asphalt mix.

### **James Street**

James Street—Distance of 1513 feet. Drainage, Excavation, sand, gravel, pea stone and asphalt mix.

### **Rondeau Road**

Rondeau Road—Distance of 1324 feet. Drainage Excavation, sand, gravel, pea stone and asphalt mix.

### **Snow Removal**

Plowing and Sanding was done as expeditiously as possible.

In closing I wish to thank the Board of Selectmen Chairman Zephirin J. Remillard, Walter P. Lewinski and Alfred M. Cote and the State Engineers, and all Town Officers, and Citizens of the Town of Bellingham, and I also wish to thank the employees of the Highway Department for their sincere efforts in working faithfully with me to better street conditions in the Town, to make the department able to operate efficiently during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

WILFRED E. ARCAND,

Superintendent of Streets

## PLANNING BOARD REPORT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and to the citizens of the growing town of Bellingham, we the Members of the Planning Board submit this report of it's first year's conception:

This first year was one of organization. Rules and Regulations governing sub-division were drawn up and after many meetings same were submitted to a Public Hearing. Your Board unanimously approved them into being.

With this under our belts we settled down to the task of learning. We gathered knowledge from data submitted by our governing body, the Mass. Dept. of Commerce. From Planning Board Organizations we received considerable data which was also studied. Your neighboring towns of Franklin and Wrentham were also quite helpful in adding to our much needed knowledge.

Meetings were held on the first and third Thursday of each month excluding 1½ summer months.

Time at these meetings was also consumed in studying Form A applications (an application and print submitted by one who wished to register a parcel of land with the Registry in Dedham) which were signed "Approval under Sub-Division not required" if same were noted to be such.

Form B applications deal with parcels of land that definitely come under sub-division and require approval before they can be registered in Dedham.

The definition of the word sub-division means the division of a tract of land into 2 or more lots in such a manner as to require provisions for one or more new ways.

Actually only one Form B application was approved with two still pending.

With this one year behind us and feeling more capable of delving into the task of planning for the future of this town of ours, we are taking into advisement many, many things that we hope to submit in the near future to the town's people for their acceptance or rejection.

Each and every board that we have come in contact with has been most helpful.

We must note here and now that having the knowledge and services of member Mr. Wilfred Arcand has been most helpful in our organization.

We also note that to gain knowledge, travel, meetings and discussions are essential and this your Board plans to do. Many meetings are held throughout the state and if all members cannot attend a delegate will be appointed.

Respectfully submitted,

BELLINGHAM PLANNING BOARD  
WINDSOR D. BATES, Chairman  
WILFRED E. ARCAND  
ROBERT H. HUNTER  
ALFRED E. STAVES  
FERDINAND GLADU, Clerk

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## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS

For the Year Ending December 31, 1956

Gross amount to be raised		\$599,646.54
Less total estimated receipts and available funds		307,272.21
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Net amount to be raised by taxation on real estate,		
personal property and polls		292,374.33
Number of polls 1,629: poll taxes		3,258.00
Total value: personal property	\$ 465,693.00	19,093.41
Total value: real estate	6,585,925.00	270,022.92

Tax Rate of 1956—\$41.00.

The Board of Assessors again was able to increase the town's valuation by a sizeable amount of \$455,785.00.

The Board is grateful for the splendid cooperation received during the past year from taxpayers, town officials and the State Department of Corporations.

ELLSWORTH CROOKS, Chairman  
EARL ROGERS  
DONAT LAPLANTE

Board of Assessors

## REPORT OF THE TOWN TREASURER

To the Citizens of Bellingham:

The following is a report of the cash condition of the Town of Bellingham and of the outstanding notes and loans as of December 31, 1956

### Reconciliation of Cashbook with Actual Cash on Deposit

Cash on hand January 1, 1956	\$ 72,379.59
Plus: 1956 Receipts	775,984.53
	<hr/> \$848,364.12
Less: 1956 Expenditures	786,343.89
	<hr/> \$ 62,020.23

### Notes and Loans Outstanding

December 31, 1956

	Outstanding amount	Due 1957
High School Loan, 2½% Feb. 1, 1938	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
Water Bonds PWA 2½% Mar. 1, 1939	81,000.00	7,000.00
Water Bonds WPA 2¾% Mar. 1, 1939	20,000.00	2,000.00
Water Main Extension 2¼% Aug. 1, 1949	3,000.00	1,000.00
Water Main Extension 2% May 1, 1950	12,000.00	3,000.00
Water Main Extension 2¼% July 1, 1951	5,000.00	1,000.00
Water Additional Supply 2¼% Jan. 15, 1953	23,000.00	4,000.00
Water Mains Extension 2½% Nov. 15, 1953	21,000.00	3,000.00
	<hr/> \$169,000.00	<hr/> \$ 23,000.00
*Chapter 81 and 90 Maintenance and Construction		\$38,950.00

\*Note: Highway loans in anticipation of reimbursement from State and County.

### High School Loan

Issued Feb. 1, 1938

Name of Bank—Merchants National Bank

Rate per cent—2½

Note Number	Amt. of Note	Maturity Date	Amount
239-240	each 1,000.00	Feb. 1, 1957	2,000.00
241-242	each 1,000.00	Feb. 1, 1958	2,000.00
			<hr/> 4,000.00

**Water System Loan  
Issued March 1, 1939**

Name of Bank—Merchants National Bank

Rate per cent—2½

Bonds Number	Amount	Maturity Date	Amount
107-108-109-110-111-112-113	each 1,000.00	March 1, 1957	7,000.00
114-115-116-117-118-119-120	each 1,000.00	March 1, 1958	7,000.00
121-122-123-124-125-126-127	each 1,000.00	March 1, 1959	7,000.00
128-129-130-131-132-133	each 1,000.00	March 1, 1960	6,000.00
134-135-136-137-138-139	each 1,000.00	March 1, 1961	6,000.00
140-141-142-143-144-145	each 1,000.00	March 1, 1962	6,000.00
146-147-148-149-150-151	each 1,000.00	March 1, 1963	6,000.00
152-153-154-155-156-157	each 1,000.00	March 1, 1964	6,000.00
158-159-160-161-162-163	each 1,000.00	March 1, 1965	6,000.00
164-165-166-167-168-169	each 1,000.00	March 1, 1966	6,000.00
170-171-172-173-174-175	each 1,000.00	March 1, 1967	6,000.00
176-177-178-179-180-181	each 1,000.00	March 1, 1968	6,000.00
182-183-184-185-186-187	each 1,000.00	March 1, 1969	6,000.00

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81,000.00

**Water System Loan  
Issued March 1, 1939**

Name of Bank—Marchants National Bank

Rate per cent—2¾

Bonds Number	Amount	Maturity Date	Amount
31-32	each 1,000.00	March 1, 1957	2,000.00
33-34	each 1,000.00	March 1, 1958	2,000.00
35-36	each 1,000.00	March 1, 1959	2,000.00
39-40	each 1,000.00	March 1, 1961	2,000.00
41-42	each 1,000.00	March 1, 1962	2,000.00
43-44	each 1,000.00	March 1, 1963	2,000.00
45	1,000.00	March 1, 1964	1,000.00
46	1,000.00	March 1, 1965	1,000.00
47	1,000.00	March 1, 1966	1,000.00
48	1,000.00	March 1, 1967	1,000.00
49	1,000.00	March 1, 1968	1,000.00
50	1,000.00	March 1, 1969	1,000.00

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20,000.00

**Water Mains Loan  
Issued August 1, 1949**

Name of Bank—First National Bank

Rate per cent—2¼

Note Number	Amt. of Note	Maturity Date	Amount
374	1,000.00	Aug. 1, 1957	1,000.00
375	1,000.00	Aug. 1, 1958	1,000.00
376	1,000.00	Aug. 1, 1959	1,000.00

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3,000.00



**Water Mains Loan  
Issued May 1, 1950**

Name of Bank—First National Bank

Rate per cent—2

Note Number	Amt. of Note	Maturity Date	Amount
400-401-402	each 1,000.00	May 1, 1957	3,000.00
403-404-405	each 1,000.00	May 1, 1958	3,000.00
406-407-408	each 1,000.00	May 1, 1959	3,000.00
409-410-411	each 1,000.00	May 1, 1960	3,000.00

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12,000.00

**Water Mains Loan  
Issued July 1, 1951**

Name of Bank—First National Bank

Rate per cent—2½

Note Number	Amt. of Note	Maturity Date	Amount
426	1,000.00	July 1, 1957	1,000.00
427	1,000.00	July 1, 1958	1,000.00
428	1,000.00	July 1, 1959	1,000.00
429	1,000.00	July 1, 1960	1,000.00
430	1,000.00	July 1, 1961	1,000.00

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5,000.00

**Additional Water Supply Loans**

**Issued January 15, 1953**

Name of Bank—First National Bank

Rate per cent—2¼

Note Number	Amt. of Note	Maturity Date	Amount
450-451-452-453	each 1,000.00	Jan. 15, 1957	4,000.00
454-455-456-457	each 1,000.00	Jan. 15, 1958	4,000.00
458-459-460	each 1,000.00	Jan. 15, 1959	3,000.00
461-462-463	each 1,000.00	Jan. 15, 1960	3,000.00
464-465-466	each 1,000.00	Jan. 15, 1961	3,000.00
467-468-469	each 1,000.00	Jan. 15, 1962	3,000.00
470-471-472	each 1,000.00	Jan. 15, 1963	3,000.00

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23,000.00

**Water Mains Loan  
Issued Nov. 15, 1953**

Name of Bank—First National Bank

Rate per cent—2½

Note Number	Amt. of Note	Maturity Date	Amount
490-491-492	each 1,000.00	Nov. 15, 1957	3,000.00
493-494-495	each 1,000.00	Nov. 15, 1958	3,000.00
496-497-498	each 1,000.00	Nov. 15, 1959	3,000.00
499-500-501	each 1,000.00	Nov. 15, 1960	3,000.00
502-503-504	each 1,000.00	Nov. 15, 1961	3,000.00
505-506-507	each 1,000.00	Nov. 15, 1962	3,000.00
508-509-510	each 1,000.00	Nov. 15, 1963	3,000.00

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21,000.00

I wish to express my sincere thanks and appreciation to everyone whom I had occasion to do business with during the year, especially the various town officials, for their splendid cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

WALTER D. RICHARD,

Town Treasurer

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## TOWN TREASURER'S REPORT ON TRUST FUNDS

### Cemetery Trust Fund—Town of Bellingham

Paid Carlton Gaskill for care in 1955

Name	Amount on Deposit	Paid	Available for 1957
Abiram W. Wales	\$ 100.00	\$ 3.06	\$ 3.07
Valentine R. Coombs	50.00	1.53	1.53
Elijah Dewing	50.00	1.53	1.53
David F. Adams	100.00	3.06	3.07
Zebina Bullard	100.00	3.06	3.07
Amos H. Holbrook	150.00	4.60	4.60
George D. Rockwood	100.00	3.06	3.07
B. Benedict	40.00	1.23	1.23
A. P. Eaton	50.00	1.53	1.53
Sarah Holbrook	100.00	3.06	3.07
Jarvis Cook	50.00	1.53	1.53
P. Bryant	100.00	3.06	3.07
Mary Metcalf	100.00	3.06	3.07
Philip Partridge	30.00	.92	.92
Clarisa H. Norcross	50.00	1.53	1.53
John and Ariel B. Drake	200.00	6.12	6.14
Eldridge Grant	100.00	3.06	3.07
Joseph Rockwood	100.00	3.06	3.07
Laura A. Cook	25.00	.77	.77
J. M. Drake and W. E. Howes	100.00	3.06	3.07
Joseph Adams	200.00	6.12	6.14
Frank St. George	200.00	6.12	6.14
Stephen A. Coombs	50.26	1.54	1.54
Jesse Coombs	50.26	1.54	1.54
Rudolphe E. Griffin	300.00	9.12	9.20
	<hr/> \$2,495.52	<hr/> \$76.33	<hr/> \$76.57

## Eugene Rhodes and Albert Houle for care in 1955

Name	Amount on Deposit	Paid	Available for 1957
Hiram Cooks	\$ 100.00	\$ 3.06	\$ 3.07
Charlotte R. Wilcox	200.00	6.12	6.14
Charles A. Mason	200.00	6.12	6.14
Avery Cook	200.00	6.12	6.14
E. L. Cook	500.00	15.49	15.41
Hiram M. Cook	50.00	1.53	1.53
Phoebe Sherman	100.00	3.06	3.07
Willard Thayer	50.00	1.53	1.53
Nathan A. Cook	100.00	3.06	3.07
Charles W. Thayer	50.00	1.53	1.53
E. Barber	30.00	.92	.92
Edgar Scott	50.00	1.53	1.53
Marion A. White	100.00	3.06	3.07
Inez Bolton	100.00	3.06	3.07
Marcus Crooks	100.00	3.06	3.07
	<hr/> \$1,930.00	<hr/> \$59.25	<hr/> \$59.29

## Paid James Yates for Care in 1955

Name	Amount on Deposit	Paid	Available for 1957
Lavina Taft	\$ 50.00	\$ 1.53	\$ 1.53
A. M. Clark	30.00	.92	.92
Amos Keach	50.00	1.53	1.53
Alonzo Whitney	100.00	3.06	3.07
Charles P. Hancock	40.00	1.23	1.23
Lezzie A. Graves	100.00	3.06	3.07
Albert A. Hancock	100.00	3.06	3.07
Sullivan Bates	50.00	1.53	1.53
Nathan Grant	60.00	1.85	1.85
Thompson Thayer	25.00	.77	.77
Joseph Burr	200.00	6.12	6.14
George W. Blake	100.00	3.06	3.07
Irving Rhodes	70.00	2.15	2.15
Oliver W. Gardner	25.00	.77	.77
Sabra J. Clark	50.00	1.53	1.53
Alvin Clark	100.00	3.06	3.07
William Thompson and Charles Cook	50.00	1.53	1.53
Addison Burr	50.00	1.53	1.53
Orlanda Clark	250.00	7.70	7.70
Eli Pond	25.00	.77	.77
Daniel Pickering	25.00	.77	.77
Samuel Darling	50.00	1.53	1.53
Emma A. Chilson	100.00	3.06	3.07

C. L. Cushman, F. A. Smith and J. H. Earnes	125.00	3.82	3.82
Adam Joslin and Richard Briggs	50.00	1.53	1.53
Ellis Lindskog	50.00	1.53	1.53
Charles H. Farrington	75.00	2.30	2.30
Olive Cushman	50.00	1.53	1.53
Calvin N. Rockwood	100.00	3.06	3.07
Benjamin E. Marble	50.00	1.53	1.53
Martin Rockwood	50.00	1.53	1.53
Ira Fish	50.00	1.53	1.53
Fred Sherburn	50.00	1.53	1.53
Warren Lazelle	37.50	1.15	1.15
George Nelson	25.00	.77	.77
Henry Young, Charles and George Thayer	100.00	3.06	3.07
Albert G. Burr	40.00	1.23	1.23
Horatio Thayer	100.00	3.06	3.07
William O. Rhodes	40.00	1.23	1.23
Aron Farrington	25.00	.77	.77
Milton Holbrook	50.00	1.53	1.53
Henry Whitney	75.00	2.30	2.30
James O. Richardson	50.00	1.53	1.53
Adelbert Spalding	25.00	.77	.77
Mrs. Joseph Fisk	50.00	1.53	1.53
Dexter Whitney	75.00	2.30	2.30
Edwin Darling	50.00	1.53	1.53
George Sherburn	75.00	2.30	2.30
Diana D. Spooner	75.00	2.30	2.30
Caleb Adams	75.00	2.30	2.30
Joseph Cross	50.00	1.53	1.53
David G. Jones	100.00	3.06	3.07
George A. Ellis	200.00	6.12	6.14
William S. Clark	100.00	3.06	3.07
Edwin Mignault	50.00	1.53	1.53
Nathan Rockwood	50.00	1.53	1.53
Henry M. Rockwood	50.00	1.53	1.53
Eugene Webber	100.00	3.06	3.07
Sarah R. Drake	50.00	1.53	1.53
Eliab Holbrook	100.00	3.06	3.07
Edward H. and Walter H. Thayer	100.00	3.06	3.07
Frank E. Osborne	200.00	6.12	6.14
E. D. Meader	200.00	6.12	6.14
Willie Cook	125.00	3.83	3.83

William C. White	100.00	3.06	3.07
Manning Thayer	100.00	3.06	3.07
Ernest A. Whitney	223.20	6.83	6.84

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	\$5,195.70	\$159.76	\$160.01
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Cash on hand as per bank books

Milford Savings Bank \$5,859.11

Medway Savings Bank 4,077.98

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Grand total	\$9,939.09
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Interest available

Cash on hand as per list for 1957

Totals \$2,495.52 \$ 76.57

1,930.00 59.29

5,215.70 160.01

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\$9,641.22	\$295.87
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Grand Total \$9,937.09

**SPECIAL TRUST FUNDS**

The following amount is on deposit in the Milford Savings Bank, Milford, Massachusetts, in special account, the earned interest being credited to the original amount on deposit but not available for use until the accumulative date is reached.

Name	Amount on Deposit	Accumulated Interest	Total on hand	Accumu- lative Date
Oak Hill Cemetery	\$500.00	\$671.46	\$1,171.46	1977

**LIBRARY TRUST FUND**

Name	Amount on Deposit	Accumulated Interest Available to Purchase Books
Henry A. Whitney Fund	\$100.00	\$3.07

**Stabilization Fund**

The fund was established by vote of the town at a special town meeting held Nov. 30, 1956.

**Jan. 1, 1957**

Amount on Deposit \$10,000.00

The records and bank books of the various trust funds are available for inspection any time at the town treasurer's office.

Respectfully submitted,

WALTER D. RICHARD,

Town Treasurer

**TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT****January 1, 1956 to December 31, 1956**

Amount Collected —\$320,834.40

Tax	\$319,759.59
Interest	1,074.81

**Poll Tax**  
**Summary of Collections**

Year 1955		
Outstanding January 1, 1956		\$ 86.00
Paid Treasurer	\$ 74.00	
Abated	12.00	
Interest Paid	1.85	
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Outstanding January 1, 1957		None
Year 1956		
Committed 1956		\$ 3,258.00
Paid Treasurer	\$2,798.00	
Abated	450.00	
Interest Paid	11.45	
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Outstanding January 1, 1957		\$ 10.00

**Motor Vehicle**

Year 1953		
Recommitted		\$ 5.88
Paid Treasurer	\$ 5.88	
Interest	1.08	
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Outstanding January 1, 1957		None
Year 1954		
Outstanding January 1, 1956		\$ 1,135.15
Paid Treasurer	\$ 322.74	
Abated	812.41	
Interest Paid	14.41	
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Outstanding January 1, 1957		None
Year 1955		
Outstanding January 1, 1956		\$ 11,368.10
Paid Treasurer	\$8,960.91	
Abated	522.51	
Refunded	161.24	
Interest Paid	140.86	
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Outstanding January 1, 1957		\$ 2,045.92



## Year 1956

Committed		\$ 51,777.43
Paid Treasurer	\$30,188.70	
Abated	2,343.33	
Refunded	746.81	
Interest Paid	21.30	
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Outstanding January 1, 1957		\$ 19,992.21

**Personal Tax**

## Year 1952

Recommitted		\$ 110.94
Paid Treasurer	\$ 110.94	
Interest Paid	11.10	
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Outstanding January 1, 1957		None

## Year 1953

Recommitted		\$ 113.95
Paid Treasurer	\$ 113.95	
Interest Paid	13.20	
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Outstanding January 1, 1957		None

## Year 1954

Outstanding January 1, 1956		\$ 2,256.20
Paid Treasurer	\$ 1,801.62	
Abated	456.76	
Refunded	2.18	
Interest Paid	105.23	
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Outstanding January 1, 1957		None

## Year 1955

Outstanding January 1, 1956		\$ 3,042.98
Paid Treasurer	\$ 1,006.20	
Interest	27.08	
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Outstanding January 1, 1957		\$ 2,036.78

## Year 1956

Committed 1956		\$ 19,093.41
Paid Treasurer	\$13,831.07	
Abated	120.20	
Refunded	105.85	
Interest Paid	.83	
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Outstanding January 1, 1957		\$ 5,247.99

**Real Estate****Year 1954**

Outstanding January 1, 1956		\$ 7,197.22
Paid Treasurer	\$ 6,719.36	
Abated	272.97	
Added to Tax Title	204.89	
Interest Paid	337.79	
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Outstanding January 1, 1957		None

**Year 1955**

Outstanding January 1, 1956		\$ 27,183.68
Paid Treasurer	\$18,265.12	
Abated	390.00	
Added to Tax Title	205.14	
Refunded	321.04	
Interest	357.74	
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Outstanding January 1, 1957		\$ 8,644.46

**Year 1956**

Committed 1957		\$270,043.43
Paid Treasurer	\$235,561.10	
Abated	7,385.37	
Added to Tax Title	540.38	
Refunded	939.92	
Interest	30.89	
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Outstanding January 1, 1957		\$ 27,496.50

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH M. BONOLLO,

Tax Collector

## REPORT OF THE HEALTH OFFICER

Board of Health  
Bellingham, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

Following is a report of the work done by me as Physician to the Board of Health for the year 1956.

The diphtheria, tetanus and whooping cough clinic was held this year and also the small pox vaccination clinics with great success.

As you know, approximately 1,400 children within the age group of six months to nineteen years of age had their first and second polio shots — including children from the School of Assumption in South Bellingham. At this point, I want to thank you, gentlemen, for your outstanding co-operation and efforts in giving me and my staff of workers all of the necessary equipment to make these important clinics successful. We hope to begin Booster shots after January 1, 1957 to complete a full period of immunization against polio and I am happy to report that there was no epidemic of polio in the Town of Bellingham this year.

In closing, I want to thank you, the Misses Grace Moran, R.N. and Lucy King, R.N. and all of the other volunteers who helped our extensive program to be successful this year.

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD L. SHENKER, M.D.

Physician—Board of Health

## REPORT OF THE BOARD REGISTRARS

The Board of Registrars organized in 1956 with Anatole Debigare as Chairman and Lionel R. Trudeau as clerk.

Sessions for the registration of voters were held as follows:

For Town Election—at North Community House, South Community Building, and Town Hall.

For Presidential Primary—at Town Hall.

For State Primary—at Town Hall.

For State Election—at North Community House, South Community Building, and Town Hall.

Number of registered voters as of December 31, 1956:

Precinct 1	Precinct 2	Precinct 3	Total
949	407	1,666	3,022

Pursuant to Article II, Section 9, of the Town By-laws, members of the Board of Registrars served as tellers to supervise admission to town meetings held during the year 1956.

Respectfully submitted,

ANATOLE DEBIGARE, Chairman

JOHN J. CLANCY

GORDON D. CURTIS

LIONEL R. TRUDEAU, Clerk

# REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF VETERANS' SERVICES

For the Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1956

To the Board of Selectmen of Bellingham:

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my annual report as Director of Veterans' Services in the Town of Bellingham.

During the year of 1956 cases of all needy and worthy veterans were taken care of to the satisfaction of all concerned, under the laws put forward by the State of Massachusetts.

Veterans admitted to the veterans' hospitals	12
Hospital bed days in veterans' hospitals	658
Hospital visits	12
Papers notarized	95
State House contacts made in veterans' interests	22
Mass. bonus filed	65
Active cases local and state	37
1956 forms filed school and job training P.L. 550	3
On apprentice training P.L. 550	3
Pension claims filed	7
Pension claims approved service connected	3
Non-service connected approved pensions	4
Widows' pension claims approved	2
Veterans Administration contacts made in veteran's interest	22
Veterans to office and homes for advice	395
Application for abatement of taxes	76
Photo copies of discharges, marriages, deaths, births, etc.	146
Deaths of World War Veterans	0

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES E. WRENN,

Director

# **VETERAN'S SERVICES FINANCIAL REPORT**

**For the Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1956**

Appropriation Veterans' Services	\$14,100.00
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## **Administrative Expenses:**

Director's Salary	1,000.00
Director's Traveling Expense	240.00
Postage and Office Supplies	112.97
Vault File	92.50
Honor Roll Expense	26.14
Telephone Toll Calls	15.92
Dues	2.00
Flowers	5.00

## **Veterans' Benefits:**

Cash Payments	9,148.25
Groceries	395.00
Fuel	607.03
Doctors and Dentists	366.00
Hospitals	96.83
Nursing Service	82.00
Ambulance Fee	10.38
Medication	673.92

<b>Total</b>	<b>\$12,873.94</b>
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Unexpended cash balance	1,226.06
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Reimbursement from State to April 30, 1956	1,060.22
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In conclusion, I wish to express my sincere thanks to the Board of Selectmen and the Town Clerk for their fine cooperation during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES E. WRENN,

Veterans' Agent

# **FISH AND GAME LICENSES ISSUED FOR DIVISION OF**

## **FISHERIES AND GAME**

**January 1, 1956 to December 31, 1956**

Resident Citizen Fishing	292 @ \$ 3.25	\$ 949.00
Resident Citizen Hunting	175 @ 3.25	568.75
Resident Citizen Sporting	87 @ 5.25	456.75
Resident Minor Fishing	61 @ 1.25	76.25
Resident Female Fishing	45 @ 2.25	101.25
Resident Minor Trapping	1 @ 2.25	2.25
Resident Citizen Trapping	2 @ 7.75	15.50
Special 3-day Fishing	3 @ 2.75	8.25
Non-res. Minor Fishing	17 @ 2.25	38.25
Non-res. Fishing	72 @ 7.75	558.00
Non-res. Hunting	39 @ 15.25	594.75
Non-res. Sporting	1 @ 20.25	20.25
Duplicates	10 @ .50	5.00
Resident Sporting free)	17	
Resident Fishing (free)	1	
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	823	\$3,394.25

## **DOG LICENSES ISSUED IN 1956**

Male	369 @ \$ 2.00	\$ 738.00
Female	78 @ 5.00	390.00
Spayed Female	143 @ 2.00	286.00
Kennel \$50.	none	
Kennel \$25	1 @ 25.00	25.00
Kennel \$10	7 @ 10.00	70.00
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	598	\$1,509.00



# REPORT OF THE SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

December 22, 1956

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I hereby submit my report as Sealer of Weights and Measures for the year ending December 31, 1956.

All places of business in the town of Bellingham were visited by me after notification by public notice as the law requires and also to peddlers as to licenses, weights, measures etc. sealed and adjusted.

Platform over 10,000 lbs.	1
Platform 5,001 lbs., to 1,000 lbs.	1
Platform 100 lbs. to 5,000 lbs.	7
Beam under 100 lbs.	3
Computing under 100 lbs.	19
Avoirdupois	1
Apothecary	6
Metric	8
Liquid, 1 gallon and under	1
Liquid, over 1 gallon	2
Meter, over 1 in. inlet	2
Gasoline measuring pumps	32
Oil measuring pumps	7

Respectfully submitted,

ADRIEN TRUDEAU,

Sealer of Weights and Measures

## REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

The annual report of the Bellingham Finance Committee is presented herewith:

We wish to first thank those who have co-operated with the Finance Committee to make their work less difficult. This co-operation has increased the interest of the public in their town government and brought about a closer relationship between the townspeople and the officials of the different departments.

In order to better serve the people we have been holding open meetings on the first Wednesday of every month to discuss Bellingham Financial business with any official or interested person. These sessions will continue in 1957 and the public is urged to attend these open meetings.

It is desired by the Finance Committee that all departments and officials appearing before us have proper information as to figures and reasons for requests prepared when appearing on appropriations or requests for transfers. Complete information will enable more people to be heard and more ground covered with less unnecessary argument at either town meetings or our Finance Committee meetings.

Respectfully submitted,

HERMAN G. DUVALL, Chairman  
JOSEPH MENENDEZ, Co-chairman  
HENRI MASSON, Secretary  
RICHARD AMBLER  
HILDA BEDEZ  
GEORGE HACHEY  
DOLORES MARTEL  
LAWRENCE WHITTEMORE

## REPORT OF DISABILITY ASSISTANCE

This department, during the year of 1956, aided 12 cases. A breakdown on the total expenditures during 1956 is as follows:

Total Expenditures	\$8,548.23	
Less Federal share	3,296.05	
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		\$5,252.18
Less State share	3,113.41	
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Net cost to the town		\$2,138.77

Because of a difference in fiscal years, the actual amount collected from the federal government during 1956 was \$3,295.35 and from the State of Massachusetts \$3,004.37. In addition, the federal government gave administration refunds of \$384.32, and the State of Massachusetts \$192.15.

During the year, as compared with 1955, there was an increase in expenditures from this department because of the greater number of cases aided, and extra heavy medical bills.

During the year, the Bureau recovered the sum of \$758.53 from the estates of Disability Assistance recipients and recovered \$223.15 from recipients.

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## REPORT OF BUREAU OF AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

These department expenditures are under state and federal control. During the year the Board aided 13 cases involving 32 children. The breakdown of department expenditures is as follows:

Total payrolls	\$13,828.07	
Less Federal reimbursement	6,116.16	
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		\$ 7,711.91
Less State reimbursement	4,609.36	
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Net cost to the taxpayers of Bellingham		\$ 3,102.55

Because of a difference in fiscal year, the Town of Bellingham actually received from the Federal government \$5,784.46, and from the State of Massachusetts \$4,696.54. The net cost of \$3,102.55 to the taxpayers represents but 22.1% of the total cost. The Federal government shared in the cost of administration of ADC and contributed the sum of \$1,156.33.

## REPORT OF BUREAU OF OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

During the year 1956 the Bureau aided 90 cases. The cost of payrolls was somewhat higher than in 1955. This can be attributed partly to an increase of \$2.50 monthly traveling allowance for OAA cases, effective 1-1-56, which was granted to virtually every case. In addition, on 7-1-56, virtually all cases received an increase of 5.8% on their budget. In early November, non citizens over 65 years of age, who met the residential requirements, were eligible for OAA. There was also an increase in rest home cost and medical care.

It is well to remember that the administration of the Old Age Assistance, Aid to Dependent Children, Disability Assistance Departments operate on rules and laws that are supervised by the State Department of Public Welfare. All payments made by these departments are subject to audit by the State and Federal auditors. It is well to remember that these expenditures are subject to the Massachusetts Department of Welfare supervision and failure to comply with the state regulations would subject the local Board to be penalized by failure of the State Department to pay the State and Federal reimbursement due the town. The State has the power to refuse reimbursement to the local communities for expenditures made without their approval. It is easy to see that the local board has very little control over the eligibility of the case, and the amount to be paid the same in the administration of the Old Age Assistance.

The Bellingham Bureau has to administer Old Age Assistance according to the law and secure as much back from the Federal and State and other towns as possible. The following figures will show how well the Bellingham Bureau of Old Age Assistance has performed this service to the taxpayers of the Town of Bellingham.

Total payrolls	\$70,955.85	
Less federal share	30,227.13	
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		\$40,728.72
Less State share	29,911.42	
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		\$10,817.30
Less sums due from other towns	607.71	
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Net cost to the taxpayers of Bellingham		\$10,209.59

This net cost represents 14.39% of the total amount of the payroll. Because of the difference in fiscal year, the sum actually received from the federal government \$29,641.50 and \$30,058.64 from

the State. During the year the Bureau received from other cities and towns the sum of \$348.38. All the bills due for the year 1956 are still outstanding and will, undoubtedly, be collected in 1957. During the year the bureau received the sum of \$2,358.91 from the Federal Government for administration.

During the year the Board recovered the liquidation of liens against OAA recipients' property and other recoveries the sum of \$8,136.63. The Federal government and the State of Massachusetts will receive their share of this amount and the Town will also get their share.

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### REPORT OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

During the year of 1956, the Board aided 37 cases involving 91 persons. The Bellingham Board of Public Welfare expended less money than 1955. Expenditure shrunk from \$20,926.40 to \$19,364.30. The following is a breakdown of total cost of Welfare during 1956:

Total expenditures	\$19,364.30	
Less Administration	1,468.79	
	<hr/>	\$17,895.51
Less sums paid other towns for Bellingham settled cases	1,393.33	
	<hr/>	\$16,502.18
Less sum due from the State of Mass.	10,615.78	
	<hr/>	\$ 5,886.80
Less sum due from other towns	2,502.46	
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Net cost of aid rendered directly in Bellingham		\$ 3,384.34

This represents but 20.5% of the actual cost of aid rendered. In addition, the Board of Public Welfare will receive the sum of \$551.60 for Administration expenditure from the Federal Government.

During the year the Welfare Department collected the sum of \$9,540.84 from the State of Mass. and \$7,842.06 from other Towns. Thus it collected the total sum \$17,382.90.

Unless business conditions deteriorate in the Bellingham area during 1957, it is quite possible that the Bellingham Welfare expenditures can be lowered further.

The Bellingham Welfare Department would like to extend appreciation to various departments for their cooperation during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,  
 ROGER RUE, Chairman  
 ROLAND TROTTIER  
 CHESTER GASKILL



## REPORT OF THE LIBRARY TRUSTEES

The annual report of the trustees of the Bellingham Public Library is presented herewith:

Your trustees are greatly heartened by the increase in the use of the main library and two branches during the past year, which saw a total record circulation of books and magazines of 18,537. This compares with a total circulation of 11,561 in 1955, and 8,679 in 1954.

Circulation at the main library went up from 5,854 to 9,181; at the North Branch from 2,873 to 3,871 and at the South Branch from 2,834 to 5,485.

The trustees again recommend that all branches be kept open for longer periods but do not feel that the budget should be increased for this purpose at this time as there are more compelling needs to improve not only the contents of the libraries, but also the physical plant at the main library. At that building the present coal-burning heating system should be replaced by oil not only for convenience but also for reasons of economy.

The program of weeding out books that have outlived their usefulness and only clutter up shelf space is continuing under the guidance of the librarians and the trustees.

Emphasis on rebuilding the children's library has also been continued and during the past year copies of all the children's classics have been placed in each of the three libraries. We find that they are widely used, particularly in school work.

The three librarians attended local conferences in area towns and report that they gained much from them.

While the trustees continue to deplore conditions at both the North and South branches, they feel that little can be done about it at this time. However, they recommend that with the erection of the town's new elementary school building room be found there to which the South Branch can be transferred.

Again, we emphasize that the libraries are for the free use of all citizens of Bellingham and the trustees hope that more citizens will take advantage of this opportunity. Any suggestions for improvement in the library service, particularly with regard to types of books, are welcomed at all times and readers may contact any of the librarians or the trustees.

We wish to thank the library personnel for their loyal and faithful service, all those who contributed books during the year as well as those who utilized the library facilities,

Respectfully submitted,

SARAH WRENN, Chairman  
MARIE C. CROUSE, Clerk  
MATHILDA HARPER

THELMA AMBLER  
LILLIAN AREL  
FRANCES LEBLANC



**LIBRARIAN'S REPORT**

The annual report for the Bellingham Public Library is herewith presented:

<b>Circulation</b>					
	Magazines	Juvenile	Non-Fiction	Adult Fiction	Total
Main Library	469	3,008	1,070	4,634	9,181
North Branch	27	3,584	4	256	3,871
South Branch	000	4,365	460	660	5,485
Total	469	10,957	1,534	5,550	18,537

<b>Library Hours</b>			
Place	Day	Afternoon	Evening
Main Library	Friday	12 to 4	7 to 8
North Branch	Friday	1 to 3	7 to 8
South Branch	Friday	12:30 to 4:30	7 to 8

The North Branch and the Main library are open from noon to 2 P.M. on Thursdays during the school year to serve the children.

Books are loaned for a period of two weeks and may be renewed for another two week period. Any books kept out over the two week period and not renewed are subject to a five-cent fine per book for each week it is overdue.

When a legal holiday falls on a Friday, the library will be open on Thursday. Any unusual change of hours or day will be published in The Woonsocket Call and Milford Daily News.

Books have been rearranged in the main library so borrowers can more easily find their favorite type of reading. The Westerns are in one group, novels in another, mysteries in another, etc.

All new books are now placed in plastic jackets before being put into circulation. We hope, in this way, to prolong the life of each book.

A list of all books purchased during the year will be available in each library and may be seen upon request to the librarian.

I wish to thank the trustees for their help, also the teachers, the principal of the Center School for their cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,  
MRS. ETHEL SPENCER, Librarian

## MEMORIAL DAY REPORT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen  
Bellingham, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

The Memorial Day Committee wishes to report on the exercises which were conducted on Sunday, May 27, 1956. All cemeteries were visited in the morning and a salute was fired at Honor Rolls, Squares and Memorial Bridges.

The Memorial Day Parade was held at 2:00 P.M. at North Bellingham. It formed at the intersection of Maple St. and Hartford Ave. The parade then proceeded south on Hartford Ave. to the North Cemetery where services were held. Mr. George K. Walker of the American Legion gave a speech and Miss Carol Wawskiewicz recited the Preamble. The line of march then returned to the square and then retired to the North Community Building where a buffet lunch was served by the members of the Arnold-Spencer Post #218 Auxiliary.

The line of march was as follows:

### **First Division**

- Police Department
- Gold Star Mothers
- Marshall and Aides
- County Colors and Staff (American Legion 6th District)
- Foxboro Drum and Bugle Corps
- National Guards (Company I 181st Infantry)
- Teener-ettes Drill Team
- Visiting Legionnaires
- Exploring Scouts
- Boy Scouts
- Cub Scouts

### **Second Division**

- Marshall and Aides
- Arnold-Spencer Post 218 Firing Squad
- Holy Family Drum and Bugle Corps
- Carl O. Johnson Drill Team
- Junior Auxiliary of the Arnold-Spencer Post
- C.D. Police Department
- Franco-American Club Inc. delegates
- Lions Club
- 4-H Club
- Bellingham Grange #190
- Arnold-Spencer Post 218
- Car For Disabled Veterans
- Fire Department

**The Expenditures for the Year 1956**

Flags	\$ 65.06
Bands	110.00
Bugler	10.00
Refreshment Supplies and Expense	69.76
Transportation	95.00
Committee Expense	73.25
Monument-Honor Roll Care	75.00
Speaker	15.00
Flowers	137.50
Total	<hr/> \$650.57

Respectfully submitted,

LAURENCE WHITTERMORE, Chairman  
ROBERT J. FLEUETTE, Secretary

LEOPOLD DUSSAULT  
LEVI SMITH  
FRANK SPAYD, JR.  
ALFRED DETORE

RAYMOND CONSTANTINEAU  
LEONARD HADLEY  
BRUNO SANTINI  
MICHAEL SMITH

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**REPORT OF THE CIVIL DEFENSE DIRECTOR**

To the Board of Selectmen  
Bellingham, Mass.

Gentlemen:

The following is my report for the year 1956.

The Auxiliary Police Department under Chief Frank Spayd have assisted the regular police force on numerous occasions. A total of approximately 700 man hours have been donated for this purpose.

A group of women have also been organized as Air Raid wardens, in the town.

The two way radio system was purchased late in 1956 and installed the last part of the year. It is hoped to have in full operation by February.

It is requested that 4 more portable radios be purchased for the general use of the CD.

It is also requested that the Town purchase winter coats and rain coats for the Auxiliary Police.

The Fire Department now equipped with 3 mobile units of the radio set up installed with 2 portable in the Fire Chief and Deputy Fire Chief autos.

I wish to thank the Town officials for their cooperation during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANCIS G. LOCKLIN,  
Civil Defense Director

## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS AND WATER SUPERINTENDENT

To the Citizens of Bellingham:

The Board organized with Mr. Wilrose A. Dalpe Chairman, Rodolphe Beauregard and Arthur Ayotte being the other two members of the Board, Mr. Arthur Ayotte was appointed Clerk and Mr. Roland G. Beauregard appointed water bill collector and Mr. Ovila Majeau Water Superintendent.

Our water superintendent Mr. Ovila Majeau passed away Nov. 4, 1956. Those of us who had the privilege of knowing Mr. Majeau will long remember him as a true gentleman. His civic leadership typifies the willingness with which he gave of his time and ability. We all mourn his passing with deep regret.

### Installation and Maintenance

Emergency calls, (Nights, Sundays, etc.) (24)  
 Service calls, (opening, Closing Services, Repairs Etc.) (374)  
 Water Main Breaks, repaired (8)  
 Services added to system (97)  
 Gate Valve Boxes repaired (10)  
 Curb boxes repaired (15)  
 Hydrants relocated (2)  
 Hydrants repaired (3)  
 New Hydrants added to system (3) Total 272  
 Monthly water test through out the town, and quarterly test from wells, have been sent to Mass. State Laboratory

### Water Mains Installation

Blackstone Street, 650 ft. 6" Cement Asbestos Pipe  
 Farm Street, 2200 ft. 6" Cement Asbestos Pipe  
 Pine Grove Avenue, 520 ft. 6" Cement Asbestos Pipe  
 Cranberry Meadow Rd. & Lakeshore Dr. 535 ft. 6" Cement Asbestos Pipe.  
 All above installations except Cranberry Md. Rd. & Lakeshore Dr. were installed at no cost to the Town.  
 Water pumped from Stations Nos. 1, 2 and 3 during the year 1956:

	Gallons
January	11,658,082
February	8,742,850
March	9,620,454
April	13,360,519
May	19,198,216
June	22,310,190
July	23,621,846
August	24,915,460
September	21,422,604

October	20,504,428
November	18,645,224
December	19,962,480
Total	213,962,535

Monthly average consumption, 17,830,196 gallons.

Weekly average consumption, 4,114,660 gallons.

Daily average consumption, 584,596 gallons.

(Due to flow meter repairs No. 1 Pump figures are estimates)

#### **Breakdown**

Station No. 1	Total Pumping (300 days)	21,600,000 gallons
Station No. 2	Total Pumping (366 days)	29,865,600 gallons
Station No. 3	Total Pumping (366 days)	162,496,753 gallons
Grand Total		213,962,353 gallons

#### **No. 1 Pump**

Our No. 1 pump has not been operating since early November 1956 due to needed repairs. This pump has been checked over by engineers for estimated cost of said repairs. It is the contention of the Board that it would be for the best interest of the Town to purchase a new pump. We therefore have made provision in our annual budget for this purpose.

#### **Increasing Demand**

Again it is to be noted that the increase in pumping over the year 1955 amounts to over 15 million gallons. The situation is getting out of hand and definite plans must be made in order to safeguard our distribution system.

#### **Chronic Water Shortage**

A problem which faces many once-small towns which have gradually become large towns, is that of maintaining an adequate water supply for the increased population. Bellingham is now experiencing this problem most vividly. The continued growth of the town is over-taxing our water system.

Water waste as emphasized in previous town reports has been our main problem. During the summers of 1954, 1955 and 1956, some days more than one million gallons of water were pumped. Our standpipe on So. Main Street was never full and on numerous occasions water pressure dropped to a frightening 20 pounds, creating a serious fire hazard in the area.

After a thorough study of this critical situation the Board of Water Commissioners are fully convinced that water metering alone would solve our problem and stop the unnecessary waste of water and insure an adequate supply.



Furthermore, meters will cut water demand—possibly by more than half. That means, of course, a reduction in the cost of pumping, and other items in the water works budget, and also bring in additional revenue.

### **Standby Power for Pumping Station No. 3**

The need for a standby gasoline operated generator to be used in our No. 3 pumping station is most important in case of electric power failure. Fortunately the 1955 flood disasters did not affect our distributing system. However it was a great relief to numerous affected communities to have standby gasoline operated generators so that the supply of water went on uninterrupted.

An article inserted in the annual 1957 town warrant is to provide for the purchase of the above emergency equipment. We strongly recommend to the Townspeople the approval of this purchase.

### **WATER MAINS TIE-IN (High School)**

Another article inserted in the 1957 town warrant and recommended by the Board of Water Commissioners is for the extension of 6" water mains beginning from end of existing main on Harpin Street (now serving High School, Little League field and High School athletic field) and continuing a distance of 921 feet by tying-in to existing main on So. Main Street (Route No. 126) making a complete circuit.

The existing water main serving the above town properties begins from Pulaski Boulevard on Harpin Street and ends at hydrant located near High School.

The proposed construction by the Town of a new elementary school in the approximate area of the Little League ball field will also be serviced from this main.

The purpose of this extension is to eliminate the flushing of the dead end hydrant (several times during the year) in order to obtain clear palatable water for the school children. This will also increase the fire fighting effectiveness of the whole area.

In conclusion the Board of Water Commissioners wish to thank the townspeople and all Town Officers for their help and co-operation during the year 1956.

WILROSE R. DALPE, Chairman  
 RODOLPHE BEAUREGARD  
 ARTHUR AYOTTE

Water Commissioners



## REPORT OF THE WATER BILL COLLECTOR

To the Board of Water Commissioners:

As Water Bill Collector for the Town of Bellingham, I wish to submit the following report for the year ending December 31st, 1956.

### 1956 Commitments

Water Rates:		
Bellingham	\$43,014.49	
Mendon	542.38	
Blackstone	775.00	
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Total	\$44,331.87	
Water service Applications	610.00	
Service Charges	1,769.87	
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Total Commitments	\$46,711.74	
Accounts receivable—12-31-55	6,856.52	
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Total Debits:		\$53,568.26
Total Cash Receipts—12-31-55 to 12-31-56	\$43,810.90	
Abatements:	444.84	
Liens:	1,188.82	
Accounts receivable—12-31-56	8,123.70	
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		\$53,568.26

You will note that there is an increase of \$7,074.14 in commitments against 1955 and an increase of \$5,715.93 in cash revenue during the same period.

I wish to thank the Board of Water Commissioners and Town officials for their help and cooperation during the past year.

ROLAND G. BEAUREGARD,

Water Bill Collector

Town of Bellingham

**REPORT OF STATE AUDIT**

Mr. Herman B. Dine  
Director of Accounts  
Department of Corporations and Taxation  
State House, Boston

Sir:

As directed by you, I have made an audit of the books and accounts of the town of Bellingham for the period from December 21, 1955, the date of the previous examination, to November 30, 1956, and submit the following report thereon:

The financial transactions, as recorded on the books of the several departments receiving or disbursing money for the town or committing bills for collection, were examined and reconciled with the books and reports in the town accountant's office and with the records of the town treasurer.

An analysis was made of the town accountant's ledger, the receipts being checked with the treasurer's books and the payments being compared with the warrants authorizing them and with the treasurer's records of payments. The appropriation accounts were checked with the town clerk's records of town meeting proceedings, and the recorded transfers from the reserve fund were verified by comparison with the records of the finance committee.

The necessary adjusting entries resulting from the audit were made, and a balance sheet, which is appended to this report, was prepared showing the financial condition of the town on November 30, 1956.

The books and accounts of the town treasurer were examined and checked. The receipts, as recorded, were analyzed and checked with the records of the several departments collecting money for the town and with other sources from which money was paid into the treasury, while the payments were compared with the selectmen's warrants authorizing the treasurer to disburse town funds. The cash book additions were verified, and the cash balance on November 30, 1956 was proved by actual count of the cash in the office and by reconciliation of the bank balances with statements furnished by the banks in which town funds are deposited.

The records of tax titles and tax possessions held by the town were examined. The transfers to the tax title account were compared with the tax collector's records, and the tax title redemptions were checked with the treasurer's recorded receipts. The outstanding accounts were listed and reconciled with the accountant's ledger.

The payments made on account of maturing debt and interest were proved with the amounts falling due and with the cancelled securities and coupons on file. The outstanding coupons on November 30, 1956 were listed and reconciled with the balance in the bond and coupon account as shown by a statement furnished by the bank of deposit.

The savings bank books representing the investment of the various trust funds in the custody of the treasurer were examined and listed. The income was proved and the withdrawals were checked with the treasurer's recorded receipts.

The records of payroll deductions on account of Federal taxes, the county retirement system, Blue Cross and Blue Shield, and group insurance were examined and checked. The amounts withheld were compared with the treasurer's recorded receipts and the payments to the proper agencies were compared with the vouchers on file.

The books and accounts of the tax collector were examined and checked in detail. The taxes and excise outstanding at the time of the previous examination, as well as all subsequent commitment lists, were audited and compared with the assessors' warrants issued for their collection. The cash book additions were proved, and the reported payments to the treasurer were compared with the treasurer's recorded receipts. The abatements, as recorded, were compared with the assessors' records of abatements granted, the transfers to the tax title account were verified, and the outstanding accounts were listed and reconciled with the respective ledger accounts.

The records of departmental and water accounts receivable were examined and checked in detail. The charges were verified, the reported payments to the treasurer were checked with the treasurer's recorded receipts, the abatements were compared with the records of the departments authorized to grant them, and the outstanding accounts were listed and reconciled with the accountant's ledger accounts.

Verification of the outstanding tax, excise, departmental, and water accounts was obtained by mailing notices to a number of persons whose names appeared on the books as owing money to the town, and from the replies received it appears that the accounts, as listed, are correct.

The computation of the tax rate for 1956 was examined and checked. The records of abatements granted by the board of assessors were checked with the books of the collector and the accountant, while the warrants to the collector were listed and compared with the detailed commitments.

The financial accounts of the town clerk pertaining to dog and sporting licenses issued and for gasoline registrations were examined and checked, the payments to the Division of Fisheries and Game being checked with the receipts on file and the payments to the town being compared with the treasurer's recorded receipts.

The surety bonds of the various town officials required by law to furnish them were examined and found to be in proper form.

The records of receipts of the board of selectmen, the sealer of weights and measures, and the wire inspector, as well as the police, fire, highway, public welfare, veterans' services, school, and library departments, and of all other departments collecting money or committing bills for collection, were examined and checked with the treasurer's cash book and with the respective ledger accounts.

In addition to the balance sheet, there are appended to this report tables showing reconciliations of the town treasurer's and the tax collector's cash, summaries of the tax, excise, tax title, departmental, and water accounts, as well as schedules showing the condition and transactions of the trust funds.

During the progress of the audit cooperation was extended by the town officials, for which I wish, on behalf of my assistants and for myself, to express appreciation.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM SCHWARTZ,

Assistant Director of Accounts

## TOWN ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT OF THE YEAR 1956

To the Taxpayers of Bellingham:

The Annual Report of the Accounting Department is herewith submitted.

It comprises a Statement of Appropriation, Transfers, Receipts and Expenditures. Also a Trial Balance, showing balances carried forward to 1957, and a Balance Sheet showing the financial condition of the Town as of December 31, 1956.

The portion of Surplus Revenue certified by the Director of Accounts, as available funds, or "Free Cash" as of January 1, 1957 is \$19,770.88 which may be used by the Town during 1957.

Thanks are extended to all for their cooperation during the past year.

JOSEPH I. TAYLOR,  
Town Accountant

### TOWN OF BELLINGHAM

#### CASH RECEIPTS — 1956

##### Taxes

1953 Personal Property	115.55	
1954 Personal Property	1,801.62	
1954 Real Estate	6,719.36	
1955 Poll	10.00	
1955 Personal Property	1,006.20	
1955 Real Estate	18,265.12	
1956 Poll	2,798.00	
1956 Personal Property	13,831.07	
1956 Real Estate	235,561.10	
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		280,108.02

##### Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise Taxes

1953 Levy	5.88	
1954 Levy	142.29	
1955 Levy	8,960.91	
1956 Levy	30,188.70	
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		39,297.78
Robert's Tax Discrepancy Fund		488.54

##### Tax Titles

Redemptions and Sales	1,147.41
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**Interest**

Interest Demands, Tax Title Costs	1,136.20	
Interest Rebates	107.26	
	<hr/>	1,243.46

**Loans**

Temporary Loans in Anticipation of Revenue	75,000.00	
Highway Loans in Anticipation of Reimbursement	38,950.00	
	<hr/>	113,950.00

**Agency and Trust**

Dog Licenses Due County	1,380.40	
Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund Withdrawals	295.34	
Library Trust Fund Withdrawals	3.07	
Blue Cross-Blue Shield Payroll Deductions	1,582.42	
Group Insurance Payroll Deductions	579.60	
Withholding Taxes	22,914.30	
	<hr/>	26,755.13

**Licenses**

Common Victualers	34.00	
Sunday Entertainment	46.00	
Auto Theatre	25.00	
Auto—Class 1-2-3	88.00	
Gasoline Permits	3.50	
Liquor	3,700.00	
Firearm Sales	5.00	
Gun Permits	16.00	
Wiring Permits	124.00	
Peddlers	30.00	
Milk and Ice Cream	24.00	
Auctioneers	3.00	
Funeral Home	5.00	
Pin Ball Machines	10.00	
	<hr/>	4,113.50

**Water Income**

Water Rates and Charges	43,810.90	
Water Liens—1954	1,426.11	
Water Liens—1956	499.75	
	<hr/>	45,736.76



**Highway Reimbursements**

Chapter 81—1955	8,763.42	
Chapter 81—1956	9,983.80	
Chapter 90 Construction—1955	5,999.83	
Machinery Revenue	4,846.40	
	<hr/>	29,593.45

**School Reimbursements**

School Aid—Chapter 70—State	55,003.78	
School Superintendent—State	2,240.02	
School Tuition and Transportation— State Wards	767.88	
School Tuition and Transportation— Cities and Towns	562.46	
School Transportation—State	16,609.62	
Vocational Education	57.30	
	<hr/>	75,241.06
School Athletic Fund (Revolving)	728.70	
School Milk Fund (Revolving)	2,338.51	
	<hr/>	3,067.21

**Charities**

Temporary Aid—State	8,950.34	
Temporary Aid—Cities and Towns	7,842.06	
Temporary Aid—Support of Indigent Persons— State	590.50	
	<hr/>	17,382.90
Disability Assistant—U. S. Grants	3,385.35	
Disability Assistance Administration— U. S. Grants	384.32	
Disability Assistance—State	3,004.37	
Disability Assistance Administration—State	192.17	
Disability Assistance Recoveries	932.73	
	<hr/>	7,898.94
Old Age Assistance—U. S. Grants	29,769.10	
Old Age Assistance Administration— U. S. Grants	2,359.92	
Old Age Assistance—State	30,058.64	
Old Age Assistance—Cities and Towns	348.38	
Old Age Meal Tax—State	1,597.20	
Old Age Assistance Recoveries	8,102.82	
	<hr/>	72,236.06

Aid to Dependent Children—U. S. Grants	5,784.46	
Aid to Dependent Children Administration— U. S. Grants	1,156.33	
Aid to Dependent Children—State	5,028.31	
	<hr/>	11,969.10
Veterans Aid—State		6,448.77

**State Income**

Income Tax	7,531.76	
Corporation Tax—Business	15,991.70	
Flood Relief Reimbursement	3,266.20	
Flood Relief Reimbursement	9,261.47	
Paraplegic Veterans Tax Abatement Reimbursement	545.30	
	<hr/>	36,596.43

**Miscellaneous Receipts**

Dog License Refund from County	1,311.31	
Health Subsidy—State	292.14	
Court Fines	348.00	
Library Fines	46.70	
Sealer of Weights and Measures	90.10	
Tailings—Unclaimed Checks	1.35	
Insurance Dividend	2.70	
Ambulance Fees	98.00	
Town History Sales	1.50	
Refunds—South Community Bldg.	4.20	
Refunds—Health Dept.	12.05	
Refunds—Public Welfare	21.70	
Refunds—Disability Assistance	43.20	
Refunds—Old Age Assistance	335.31	
Refunds—Veterans Service	86.00	
Refunds—Library	6.55	
Refunds—Water Dept.	9.14	
	<hr/>	2,709.95
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Total Cash Receipts

775,984.47

**TOWN OF BELLINGHAM**  
**CASH EXPENDITURES — 1956**

**Moderator**

Appropriation	55.00	
Expenditures		
Salary		35.00
Stenographic Service		15.00
Cards		1.95
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		51.95

**Finance Committee**

Appropriation	175.00	
Expenditures		
Association Meeting—Boston		6.80
Organization Meeting Expense		32.35
Telephone Tolls		4.58
Dues		25.00
Postage and Office Supplies		10.20
Typewriter		69.95
Mimeo Forms		19.00
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		167.88

**Selectmen**

Appropriation	1,940.00	
Expenditures		
Selectmen's Salaries		950.00
Clerk's Salary		520.00
Traveling Expenses		155.00
Postage and Office Supplies		85.77
Telephone Tolls		27.50
Dues		41.00
Advertising		4.50
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		1,783.77

**Accountant**

Appropriation	2,698.00	
Expenditures		
Salary		2,400.00
Dues		3.00
Postage and Office Supplies		220.10
Telephone		69.33
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		2,692.43

**Treasurer**

Appropriation	3,465.00	
Expenditures		
Salary		2,400.00
Traveling Expense		240.00
Bond		180.50
Postage and Office Supplies		315.97
Dues		2.00
Robbery Insurance		67.50
Telephone		95.70
Checks		101.49
Check Writer Service		6.48
Posture Chair		32.86
Typewriter Table		22.50
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		3,465.00

**Tax Collector**

Appropriation	2,797.00	
Expenditures		
Salary		1,699.99
Dues		2.00
Bonds		335.50
Telephone		70.08
Postage and Office Supplies		637.97
Insurance		51.10
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		2,796.64

**Assessors**

Appropriation—Assessors	5,042.00	
Valuation Book	1,500.00	
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	6,542.00	
Expenditures		
Assessors' Salaries		3,348.00
Traveling Expense		432.00
Clerk's Salary		450.00
Postage and Office Supplies		101.35
Telephones		206.70
Preparing Abstracts		6.50
Photostatic Copies		175.69
Dues		9.00
Glass Table Top		38.50
Typewriter Rental		12.00
Assessors' School Expense		19.00
Tax Valuation Book		846.00
Delivering Valuation Book		140.00
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		5,784.74

**Certifying Notes**

Appropriation	20.00		
Expenditures			
Notes Certified		6.00	6.00

**Legal-Town Counsel**

Balance 1955	500.00		
Appropriation 1956	800.00		
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	1,300.00		
Expenditures			
Salary		800.00	
Legal Fees and Expenses		483.00	
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			1,283.00

**Town Clerk**

Appropriation	2,400.00		
Expenditures			
Salary		1,440.00	
Clerical		136.50	
Bond		11.35	
Telephone		186.13	
Postage and Office Supplies		257.52	
Vital Statistics		296.00	
Dues		7.50	
Officials Oaths of Office		26.00	
Repairs—Typewriter—Sign		17.90	
Posting Election Lists		6.00	
Town Meeting Expense		15.00	
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			2,399.80

**Elections and Registrations**

Appropriation	4,200.00		
Transfer	750.00		
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	4,950.00		
Expenditures			
Election Officials and Clerks		1,611.29	
Election Supplies		806.85	
Election Lunches		105.00	
Town Meeting Expense		237.50	
Posting Notices and Warrants		36.00	
Voting Census—Street Listings		451.70	
Street Listing Books		237.56	
Salaries—Registrars and Clerk		700.00	

Clerical Expense	108.00
Postage and Office Supplies	84.06
Telephone	26.70
Advertising	133.80
By-Laws	190.00
Drawer File	49.95

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 4,949.37

### Planning Board Expense

Appropriation	500.00
Expenditures	
County Recording	4.06
Advertising	7.60
Dues	12.50
Postage—Office Supplies and Expense	185.92
Filing Cabinet	85.00
Typewriter	97.47
Typing and Clerical Expense	15.00

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 407.55

### Town Hall

Appropriation—Maintenance	3,900.00
Improvements	500.00
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	4,400.00
Expenditures—Maintenance	
Janitor's Salary	1,560.00
Fuel	1,793.93
Electricity	314.48
Water	20.00
Gas	29.11
Supplies	111.03
Repairs	71.40

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 3,899.95

Improvements	
Heating System Repairs	87.05
Painting	112.00
Chairs	281.25

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 480.30

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 4,380.25

### North Community Building

Appropriation—Maintenance	600.00
Improvements	500.00
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	1,100.00



## Expenditures—Maintenance

Janitor's Salary	260.00
Water	20.00
Electricity	18.89
Fuel	210.44
Memorial Day Decorations	15.00
Repairs	49.50

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 573.83

## Improvements

Asphalt Parking Lot	483.00
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 483.00

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 1,056.83
**South Community Building**

Appropriation—Maintenance	1,100.00
Transfer	110.00
Refund	4.20

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 1,214.20

## Improvements

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 300.00

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 1514.20

## Expenditures

Janitor Salary	416.00
Water	20.00
Fuel	647.15
Electricity	86.40
Supplies	10.24
Repairs	33.40

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 1,213.19

## Improvements

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 212.53

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 1,425.72
**Town Building Insurance**

Appropriation	300.00	
Expenditures		
Insurance Premiums	269.90	269.90

**Town Garage and Fire Station Improvements**

Appropriation	1,500.00	
Expenditures		
Labor	73.60	
Equipment Hire	112.00	
Asphalt and Tar	99.00	
Garage Door—Repairs	206.40	

Roofing Contract	560.00	
Frame and Grate	46.00	
Painting	343.00	
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		1,440.00

### Police Department

Appropriation—Police Cruiser	1,500.00
Police Uniforms	450.00
Chief's Salary	4,680.00
Clerk's Salary	1,820.00
Dog Officer Salary	50.00
Dept. Maintenance	6,040.00
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	14,540.00

### Expenditures

Police Cruiser	1,496.40
Police Uniforms	445.50
Chief's Salary	4,680.00
Clerk's Salary	910.00
Dog Officer's Salary	50.00
Special Officers	2,837.63
Court Officers	28.00
Police Matron	31.50
Lock-up Rent	75.00
Radio Expense	570.72
Telephones	949.50
Police Car Expense	257.57
Gasoline and Oil	502.43
Tires and Tubes	38.05
Seat Covers	32.00
Siren	62.50
Car Hire	4.55
Insurance	255.55
Postage and Office Supplies	39.93
Dues	17.00
Police Equipment and Supplies	202.92
Police Photography	27.43
Signs	24.50
Painting Cross-walks	31.00
Lunches	51.71
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13,621.41

### Fire Department

Appropriation	6,500.00
Transfer	500.00
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	7,000.00

## Expenditures

Chief's Salary	1,200.00
Call Men	1,879.86
Station Caretakers	762.50
Telephones	606.56
Insurance	371.19
Gasoline and Oil	220.26
Truck Expense	285.02
General Repairs	156.00
Equipment and Supplies	653.63
Dues and Subscriptions	25.50
Office Supplies	5.15
Hose	640.00
Truck Storage	100.00
Lunches	38.87

6,944.54

**Forest Fires**

Appropriation 3,500.00

## Expenditures

Warden's Salary	500.00
Call Men	1,479.05
Dues	5.00
Equipment and Supplies	605.10
Truck Expense	30.35
Gasoline and Oil	31.49
Repairs	25.30
Telephones	122.70
Station Caretakers	152.50
Truck Storage	20.00

2,971.49

**Ambulance Rescue Wagon Maintenance**

Appropriation 500.00

## Expenditures

Chauffeurs and Attendants	278.19
Gasoline and Oil	29.17
General Supplies and Expense	181.38

488.74

**Sealer of Weights and Measures**

Appropriation 125.00

## Expenditures

Salary	75.00
Traveling Expense	35.00
Supplies	12.00
Telephone	3.00

125.00

**Tree Warden**

Appropriation	4,500.00	
Expenditures		
Warden's Salary		1,160.00
Labor		1,792.50
Warden's Truck Hire		921.00
Supplies		27.23
Chain Saw and Chains		338.20
Chain Saw Repairs		76.50
Shovel Hire		103.00
Tractor Hire		14.00
Repairs		3.00
Gasoline and Oil		63.18
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		4,498.61

**Inspector of Wires**

Appropriation	200.00	
Expenditures		
Salary		125.00
Expense		75.00
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		200.00

**Civil Defense**

Appropriation	1,200.00	
Expenditures		
Office Supplies		30.32
Uniform Trousers		297.25
Uniform Caps		137.50
Uniform Shirts		211.00
Uniform Shoulder Patches		62.80
Uniform Ties		50.71
Arm Bands		32.57
Traffic Belts		60.00
Badges		15.95
Radio Communicator		200.00
Public Address System		99.50
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		1,197.60

**Civil Defense Radio**

Transfer	3,000.00	
Expenditures		
Radio Units		2,937.76
Radio Logs		20.00
Keys		1.35
Decals		3.60
Advertising		8.80
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		2,971.51

**Garbage Collection**

Transfer	1,000.00	
Expenditures		
Garbage Collection Contract	900.00	
Advertising	6.40	
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		906.40

**Sewage Investigating Committee**

Transfer	50.00	
Expenditures		
Sanitation Engineer	25.00	25.00

**Norfolk County Hospital Assessment**

Appropriation	4,685.48	
Expenditures		
County Hospital Assessment	4,505.96	4,505.96

**Health Department**

Appropriation	3,705.00	
Transfer	1,000.00	
Refund	12.05	
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	4,717.05	
Expenditures		
Town Dump Lease and Caretaker	480.00	
Town Dump Maintenance	643.50	
Hospitals	879.00	
Nursing Association	950.00	
Health Doctor	100.00	
Polio & Vaccination Clinics & Supplies	924.60	
Milk and Animal Inspector's Salary	250.00	
Slaughtering Inspector's Salary	50.00	
Burial Permits	23.00	
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		4,300.10

**Highway Truck Purchase**

Appropriation	5,700.00	
Expenditures		
International Dump Truck	5,185.00	
Advertising	9.20	
Lettering Truck	18.50	
Shovel Rack-Tow Hitch & Hook	42.00	
Lights and Flaps	45.90	
Sander Attachment	32.00	
Tires and Tubes	144.30	
Insurance—Registration—Inspection	193.92	
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		5,670.82

**Sidewalk Maintenance**

Appropriation	250.00	
Expenditures		
Labor		126.80
Asphalt and Tar		93.78
Equipment Hire		28.00
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		248.58

**Highway—Chapter 81**

Appropriation	7,250.00	
State Allowance	15,950.00	
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	23,200.00	
Expenditures		
Labor		10,138.75
Equipment Hire		2,834.50
Machinery Revenue		2,702.40
Asphalt and Tar		4,063.09
Patch		1,177.69
Sand-Gravel-Subsoil-Loam		1,096.17
Stone		153.26
Pipe		30.00
Frames-Grates-Covers		343.90
Paint		27.00
Snow Removal Equipment Hire		633.00
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		23,199.76

**Highway—Chapter 90 Maintenance**

Appropriation	1,500.00	
State and County Allowance	3,000.00	
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	4,500.00	
Expenditures		
Labor		852.80
Equipment Hire		660.00
Machinery Revenue		494.00
Asphalt and Tar		1,744.10
Sand and Gravel		387.46
Stone		361.21
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		4,499.57

**Highway—Chapter 90 Construction**

Appropriation	5,000.00
State and County Allowance	20,000.00
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	25,000.00



Expenditures		
Labor	4,997.50	
Machinery Revenue	1,650.00	
Equipment Hire	6,552.00	
Pipes	936.75	
Blocks—Plates—Rings	354.96	
Frames—Grates—Covers	356.00	
Inlets	180.60	
Bricks	27.00	
Sand and Gravel	634.39	
Asphalt and Tar	2,159.48	
Stone	421.16	
Patch	8.80	
Kerosene	35.99	
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**Highway—General**

Appropriation	3,500.00	
Expenditures		
Labor	433.60	
Equipment Hire	198.00	
Asphalt and Tar	728.16	
Pipes	8.84	
Telephone	121.38	
Postage and Office Supplies	165.97	
Dues	8.00	
Supplies	844.89	
Manhole Covers	46.20	
Plow Blades	281.35	
Repairs	16.75	
Truck Repairs	601.86	
Registry of Deeds	5.06	
Advertising	30.00	
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**Bridges and Railings**

Appropriation	1,500.00	
Expenditures		
Labor	701.20	
Material and Supplies	795.22	
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**Signs and Guideboards**

Appropriation	700.00	
Expenditures		
Labor	302.40	
Materials and Supplies	66.82	
Signs	316.17	
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**Snow Removal and Sanding**

Appropriation	10,000.00
Deficit Assessed by Board	10,650.80
Transfers	3,401.00

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 24,051.80
**Expenditures**

Labor	5,020.30
Equipment Hire	15,775.93
Sand and Salt	4,672.69
Repairs	256.37
Supplies	12.20
Gasoline	439.72
Lunches	14.75

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 26,191.96

(Authorized Snow Removal Deficit 12/31/56 2,140.16)  
 (Chapter 44—Section 31)

**Highway Sweeping and Cleaning**

Appropriation	2,500.00
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**Expenditures**

Labor	1,151.10
Equipment Hire	1,347.00

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 2,498.10
**Highway—Machinery Account**

Appropriation	3,000.00
Transfer	4,846.40

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 7,846.40
**Expenditures**

Trucks—Auto—Road Machinery Maintenance	2,849.44
Gasoline and Oil	2,041.36
Insurance and Registration	731.70
Supplies	73.30
Tires and Tubes	892.34
New Highway Auto	1,250.00
Advertising	4.00

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 7,842.14
**Street Lighting**

Appropriation	6,894.00
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**Expenditures**

Worcester County Electric Co.	5,151.10
Boston Edison Co.	1,464.81

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 6,615.91

**Chamberlain Drive—Improvements**

Balance 1955	1,000.00	
Appropriation	4,046.90	
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	5,046.90	
Expenditures		
Labor	1,065.80	
Materials	1,308.68	
Equipment Hire	1,108.50	
Cement	16.80	
Sand—Gravel—Stone	344.07	
Asphalt and Tar	1,200.01	
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		5,043.86

**Garden Street Improvements**

Appropriation	300.00	
Expenditures		
Labor	110.40	
Equipment Hire	124.00	
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		234.40

**James Street Improvements**

Transfer	9,220.20	
Expenditures		
Labor	1,907.35	
Materials	2,471.85	
Equipment Hire	1,841.00	
Cement	28.00	
Dynamiting	80.00	
Asphalt-Tar-Patch	2,053.18	
Sand-Gravel-Stone	460.41	
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		8,841.79

**Improving Conditions Under Lake Street—At Jencks Res.**

Balance 1955	133.59	
Expenditures		
Labor	110.80	
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		110.80

**Meadow Road Drainage**

Balance 1955	212.51	
Expenditures		
Labor	143.20	
Equipment Hire	56.00	
Sand and Gravel	10.85	
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		210.05

**Moody Street Improvements**

Appropriation	2,570.00
Expenditures	
Labor	876.90
Equipment Hire	190.00
Asphalt and Tar	1,126.30
Sand-Gravel-Stone	227.85
<b>Paint</b>	<b>30.24</b>

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(Street	1,583.08)
(Sidewalk	868.21)

2,451.29

**North Center Street—Improvements**

Balance 1955	410.00
Appropriation	1,149.30
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	1,559.30
Expenditures	
Labor	363.15
Materials	310.26
Cement	7.64
Equipment Hire	132.00
Asphalt and Tar	670.03
Sand and Gravel	73.90

1,556.98

**South Center Street—Improvements**

Balance 1955	625.00
Appropriation	3,860.00
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	4,485.00
Expenditures	
Labor	1,054.95
Materials	1,295.99
Cement	21.00
Equipment Hire	1,202.00
Sand and Gravel	150.57
Asphalt and Tar	760.12

4,484.63

**Pulaski Blvd. Drainage—Easterly Side**

Transfer	10,071.00
Expenditures	
Labor	2,921.50
Materials	3,023.96
Equipment Hire	2,902.00
Loam-Stone-Gravel	649.49
Cement	18.32
Asphalt-Tar-Patch	378.84

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9,894.11

**Pulaski Blvd. Drainage—Westerly Side**

Transfer	15,416.00	
Expenditures		
Labor		3,976.30
Materials		5,775.22
Equipment Hire		2,535.50
Sand-Gravel-Stone		1,003.39
Cement		63.25
Asphalt-Tar-Patch		1,647.49
Repairs and Supplies		78.60
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		15,079.75

**Rondeau Road—Improvements**

Transfer	8,656.80	
Expenditures		
Labor		1,811.60
Materials		2,264.93
Equipment Hire		1,863.50
Asphalt-Tar		1,854.90
Cement		22.12
Sand-Gravel-Stone		402.85
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		8,219.90

**Public Welfare**

Appropriation	20,810.00	
Refunds	21.70	
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	20,831.70	
Expenditures		
Board Members' Salaries		950.00
Telephones		518.79
Cash Payments		5,876.40
Town of Blackstone		190.08
Town of Medway		1,203.25
Hospitals		1,414.59
Doctors and Dentists		348.00
Medical		619.59
Groceries		5,896.90
Fuel		700.73
Rent		1,306.90
Wearing Apparel		96.33
Electricity		102.79
Utility Gas		30.50
District Nursing Association		28.00
Hearing Aid Supplies		19.45
Ambulance Fees		25.00
Moving Expense		20.00
Oil Burner Repairs		17.00
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		19,364.30

**Disability Assistance**

Appropriation	5,100.00	
Transfers	400.00	
U. S. Grants—Balance 1955	429.33	
U. S. Grants—1956	3,385.35	
U. S. Grants—Refunds 1956	43.20	
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	9,357.88	
Expenditures		
Cash Payments		8,764.24
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8,764.24

**Disability Assistance Administration—U. S.**

Balance 1955	40.50	
U. S. Grants—1956	384.32	
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	424.82	
Expenditures		
Postage and Supplies		11.42
Gasoline and Oil		135.50
Auto Expenses		76.43
Checks		60.77
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284.12

**Old Age Assistance**

Appropriation—Town	42,000.00	
Transfer	1,500.00	
U. S. Grants—Balance 1955	596.42	
U. S. Grants—1956	29,769.10	
Refunds—1956	335.31	
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	74,200.83	
Expenditures		
Cash Payments		71,166.64
Agent's Salary		750.00
Clerk's Salary		1,307.64
Town of Blackstone		683.13
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73,907.41

**Old Age Assistance Administration—U. S.**

U. S. Grants—Balance 1955	494.88	
U. S. Grants—1956	2,359.92	
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	2,854.80	
Expenditures		
Agent's Salary		1,800.00
Postage and Office Supplies		345.31
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2,145.31



**Aid To Dependent Children**

Appropriation—Town	8,000.00		
U. S. Grants—Balance 1955	529.19		
U. S. Grants—1956	5,784.46		
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	14,313.65		
Expenditures			
Cash Payments		13,828.07	13,828.07

**Aid To Dependent Children Administration—U. S.**

U. S. Grants—Balance 1955	1,740.99		
U. S. Grants—1956	1,156.33		
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	2,897.32		
Expenditures			
Agent's, Board Members' Traveling Expense	312.00		
Agent's Salary	1,350.00		
Clerk's Salary	692.36		
Auto Expense	37.20		
Gasoline and Oil	117.73		
Insurance and Registration	108.47		
Postage and Office Supplies	195.45		
Adding Machine Repair	10.50		
Subscription	10.00		
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			2,833.71

**Veterans Services**

Appropriation	15,100.00		
Expenditures			
Director's Salary	1,000.00		
Director's Traveling Expenses	240.00		
Cash Payments	9,148.25		
Groceries	395.00		
Medical	673.92		
Postage and Office Supplies	112.97		
Fuel	607.03		
Doctors and Dentists	366.00		
Hospitals	96.83		
Nursing Association	82.00		
Ambulance Fees	10.38		
Telephone Tolls	15.92		
Vault File	92.50		
Dues	2.00		
Honor Roll Expense	26.14		
Flowers	5.00		
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			12,873.94

<b>School Department</b>		
Appropriation	201,467.00	
Expenditures		
General Expenses		
School Committee Expense	551.50	
Superintendent's Salary	4,320.00	
Superintendent's Traveling Expense	421.07	
Superintendent's Office Supplies	95.26	
Superintendent's Office Secretary	1,368.00	
School Census Salaries	750.00	
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Expenses of Instruction		
Supervisors' Salary	2,803.24	
Principals' Salaries	19,097.70	
Teacher's Salaries	98,446.31	
Textbooks	3,635.90	
Supplies	3,210.97	
Graduation Expense	30.80	
Registration and Attendance Records	200.00	
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Operating Expenses — School Plants		
Janitor's Salaries	12,042.91	
Operating Supplies and Expense	2,029.41	
Fuel	6,226.02	
Water	80.00	
Gas	23.80	
Electricity	1,519.78	
Telephones	757.48	
Advertising	70.85	
Groceries	14.17	
Memorial Day Decorations	25.00	
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Maintenance of School Plants		
Repairs and Improvements	8,968.34	8,968.34
Capital Outlays		
New Equipment and Replacements	4,168.40	4,168.40
Auxiliary Agencies		
School Libraries	174.07	
Health Services	2,391.62	
Transportation	24,502.86	
Athletic Director and Coaches	1,050.00	
Insurance	1,089.36	
Extra Curricular Director	255.00	
Driver Education Expense	738.56	
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		201,058.38

**Vocational Education**

Appropriation	2,000.00	
Expenditures		
Vocational Schools		286.35
Transportation		39.55
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		325.90

**School Athletic Fund (Revolving)**

Balance 1955	14.08	
Receipts 1956	728.70	
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	742.78	
Expenditures		
Athletic Officials—Police Officers		336.00
Athletic Supplies		130.50
Medical Expense		5.50
Transportation		165.27
Dues and League Registration		11.00
Athletic Insurance		84.50
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		732.77

**School Athletic Fund (Town)**

Appropriation	1,300.00	
Expenditures		
Athletic Officials and Police Officers		158.00
Athletic Supplies		675.40
League Registration		8.00
Ticket Collector		3.00
Uniform Cleaning		38.45
Ambulance Fees		2.00
Hospital		19.00
Athletic Awards		33.25
Transportation		361.79
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		1,298.89

**School Milk Fund (Revolving)**

Receipts 1956	2,338.51	
Expenditures		
Milk		1,667.36
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**School Building Committee Expense**

Balance 1955	485.10	
Appropriation	2,014.90	
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	2,500.00	

Expenditures	
Brochures	625.00
Insurance	25.00
Bulldozer Hire	54.00
Legal Expense	76.00
Traveling Expense	13.60
Telephone Tolls	33.89
Mimeograph Expense	17.00
Postage and Supplies	32.64

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 877.13
**Libraries**

Appropriation	1,988.69
Transfer	1,311.31
Refunds	6.55

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 3,306.55

Expenditures	
Librarian's Salaries	1,024.38
Janitor's Salary	184.88
Trustees' Salaries	250.00
Books and Magazines	1,331.60
Postage and Office Supplies	86.30
Electricity	15.20
Fuel	154.25
Maintenance Supplies	6.05
Repairs	54.35
Snow Shoveling	6.00
Floor Waxing	7.00
Electric Light Installation	136.54

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 3,256.55
**Interest**

Appropriation	6,400.00
Expenditures	
Water Loans	4,395.00
High School Loans	125.00
Revenue Loans	1,488.10
Highway Loans	313.58

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 6,321.68
**Maturing Debt**

Appropriation	25,000.00
Expenditures	
High School Loan	2,000.00
Water Loan	23,000.00

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 25,000.00

**South Municipal Athletic Fields**

Appropriation	2,000.00		
Expenditures			
Labor		1,449.70	
Equipment Hire		48.00	
Field Supplies		94.30	
Athletic Supplies		131.16	
Repairs		41.09	
Trailer		25.00	
Roller and Spikes		17.68	
Clay		15.00	
Trailer Insurance and Registration		8.00	
Gasoline and Oil		3.00	
Power Mower		79.96	
Sub-soil		25.00	
			1,937.89

**North Municipal Athletic Field**

Balance	1,227.50		
Expenditures—Equipment Hire		979.00	979.00

**Property Damage — Personal Injuries**

Appropriation	250.00		
Expenditures			
Property Damage Claim		53.10	
Hospitals—Work. Comp.		20.65	
Medical—Work. Comp.		53.49	
Doctors—Work. Comp.		89.00	
			216.24

**Memorial Day Committee**

Appropriation	750.00		
Expenditures			
Committee Expense		73.25	
Transportation		95.00	
Bugler		10.00	
Flags		65.06	
Refreshments—Supplies—and Expenses		69.76	
Bands		110.00	
Speaker		15.00	
Flowers		137.50	
Monument and Honor Roll Care		75.00	
			650.57

**Norfolk County Retirement Fund Assessment**

Appropriation	2,624.00		
Expenditures			
Retirement Fund Assessment		2,624.00	2,624.00

**Group Insurance and Blue Cross**

Town Appropriation	2,000.00
Insurance Payroll Deductions	579.60
Blue Cross Payroll Deductions	1,582.42

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 4,162.02
**Expenditures**

Insurance Premium—Town Share	488.43
Insurance Premium—Employees Share	488.43
Blue Cross-Blue Shield—Town Share	1,274.98
Blue Cross-Blue Shield—Employees Share	1,274.97
Advertising—Town	10.40

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 3,537.21
**Printing Town Reports**

Appropriation	1,600.00
Expenditures	
Printing Town Report	1,260.60
Delivering Town Report	161.10
Finance Committee Reports	42.00

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 1,463.70
**Tax Title Foreclosure Expense**

Balance 1955	179.42
Assessed 1956	500.00

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 679.42
**Expenditures**

Clerical Expense—Treasurer	233.33
Clerical Expense—Collector	9.00
Postage and Supplies	63.93
Registry of Deeds	67.13
Advertising	39.40

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 412.79
**Lakeshore Drive—Water Mains**

Balance 1955	798.30
Transfers	1,519.70

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 2,318.00
**Expenditures**

Pipe	787.92
Hydrant—Grate	231.48
Excavating Contract	675.00
Trucking	20.00

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 1,714.40



**Water Dept. Supply Room And Garage**

Appropriation	4,700.00	
Expenditures		
Contractor		4,673.00
Supplies		10.00
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		4,683.00

**Water Rules and Regulations Committee Expense**

Balance 1955	600.00	
Expenditures		
Water Takers Study and Census		600.00
		600.00

**Water Department**

Appropriation	29,202.50
Refund	9.14
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	29,211.64

Expenditures	
Superintendent's Salary	3,600.00
Labor	3,032.31
Commissioners Salaries	595.74
Clerk's Salary	341.60
Collector's Salary	900.00
Collector's Bond	5.00
Traveling Expenses	186.00
Insurance	451.37
Telephones	396.63
Postage and Office Supplies	594.04
Materials and Supplies	6,810.76
Repairs	132.15
Electricity	8,609.57
Advertising	84.50
Utility Gas	103.25
Gasoline and Oil	443.68
Truck Expense	107.88
Garage Rent	20.00
Dues and Subscriptions	38.50
New Meters and Repairs	246.80
Filing Cabinet-Desk-Lamp	115.47
Truck Hire	16.50
Gravel and Patch	64.32
Equipment Hire	257.60
Typewriter and Adding Machine Repairs	66.80
Grinder—Tap and Drill Machine	266.83
Tires and Tubes	148.76
Tapping Sleeve & Valve—Installation	525.00
Flo-Watch Recorder	891.00
Fire Extinguishers	134.00
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29,186.06

**Cemeteries**

Appropriation	1,225.00	
Expenditures		
<b>Center Cemetery</b>		
Salary and Labor	300.00	
Supplies	23.00	
Trailer Insurance and Registration	5.00	
Mower Repairs	2.50	
Gasoline and Oil	2.00	
Water	15.00	
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		487.50
<b>North Cemetery</b>		
Salary and Labor	300.00	
Supplies	14.90	
Gasoline and Oil	8.10	
Repairs	2.00	
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		325.00
<b>South Cemetery</b>		
Salary and Labor	400.00	
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		400.00
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		1,212.50

**Non-Appropriation Accounts**

Expenditures		
Personal Property Tax 1954 Refunds	2.18	
Personal Property Tax 1956 Refunds	105.85	
Real Estate Taxes 1955 Refunds	321.04	
Real Estate Taxes 1956 Refunds	939.92	
M. V. Excise Taxes 1955 Refunds	161.24	
M. V. Excise Taxes 1956 Refunds	746.81	
Dog Licenses Due County	1,393.00	
Federal Withholding Taxes	22,914.30	
Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund Withdrawals	295.34	
Library Trust Fund Withdrawals	4.50	
County Tax 1956	6,540.01	
County Mosquito Control Project Assessment	2,646.00	
State Audit 1956	361.04	
State Parks and Reservations 1956	989.22	
Revenue Loans	75,000.00	
Highway Loans	15,950.00	
Court Judgment—Welfare	184.00	
Robert's Discrepancy Account Refund	34.00	
Interest 1954 Refund	.17	
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		128,588.62
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Total Cash Expenditures 1956		786,343.83

**NOTES AND LOANS****Net Funded and Fixed Debt**

<b>Date</b>	<b>For</b>	<b>Rate</b>	<b>Unpaid</b>	<b>Due 1957</b>
Feb. 1, 1938	High School Loan	2½ %	4,000	2,000
Mar. 1, 1939	Water Bonds P.W.A.	2½ %	81,000	7,000
Mar. 1, 1939	Water Bonds W.P.A.	2¾ %	20,000	2,000
Aug. 1, 1949	Water Bonds	2¼ %	3,000	1,000
May 1, 1950	Water Bonds	2 %	12,000	3,000
July 1, 1951	Water Bonds	2¼ %	5,000	1,000
Jan. 15, 1953	Water Bonds	2¼ %	23,000	4,000
Nov. 15, 1953	Water Bonds	2½ %	21,000	3,000
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			169,000	23,000
Highway Loans in Anticipation of Reimbursement			38,950	38,950

**RESERVE FUND TRANSFERS**

Appropriation 3,000.00

**Transfers**

Aug. 1	Sewage Investigating Committee Expense	\$ 50.00
Oct. 24	Elections and Registrations	750.00
Dec. 12	South Community Bldg.	110.00
Dec. 28	Snow Removal	1,530.00
Dec. 28	Snow Removal	371.00
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		\$2,811.00

**UNPAID BILLS — 1953**

Water Department 1,311.86

# 1956 TRANSFERS VOTED AT ANNUAL AND SPECIAL TOWN MEETINGS

Date	Article	From	To	Amount
Mar. 9	Item 47	Dog License Refund	Libraries	\$ 1,311.31
Art. 1		Surplus Revenue	James St. Improvement	9,220.20
Art. 22		Surplus Revenue	Rondeau Road Improvement	8,656.80
Art. 14		Surplus Revenue	Pulaski Blvd. Drainage-East.	10,071.00
Art. 15		Surplus Revenue	Pulaski Blvd. Drainage-West.	15,416.00
Art. 18		Additional Water Supply Con.	Lakeshore Drive Water Mains	122.74
Art. 18		Douglas Drive-James St.		
		Rondeau Rd. Silver Ave. Water M.	Lakeshore Drive Water Mains	66.26
Art. 18		Depot Street—Water Mains	Lakeshore Drive Water Mains	773.55
Art. 18		Lakeshore Drive Water Mains	Lakeshore Drive Water Mains	55.65
Art. 18		Well Location Land Purchase	Lakeshore Drive Water Mains	501.50
June 25	1	Highway—Machinery Revenue	Highway Machinery Acct.	1,320.00
Art. 5		Surplus Revenue	Group Ins.-Blue Cross	2,000.00
Art. 7		Surplus Revenue	Garbage Collection	1,000.00
Art. 9		Surplus Revenue	Civil Defense Radio	3,000.00
Nov. 13	1	Highway Machinery Revenue	Highway Machinery Acct.	3,526.40
Art. 2		Surplus Revenue	Health Dept.	1,000.00
Art. 3		Surplus Revenue	Old Age Assistance	1,500.00
Art. 4		Aid to Dependent Children	Disability Assistance	400.00
Nov. 30	1	Surplus Revenue	Snow Removal	1,500.00
Art. 4		Surplus Revenue	Elementary School Con.	2,000.00
Art. 2		Forest Fires	Fire Dept.	500.00
Jan. 1, 1956 "Free Cash" Surplus Revenue				\$55,917.85
Transfers during 1956				55,364.00
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				\$ 553.85



# TOWN OF BELLINGHAM

## TRIAL BALANCE — DECEMBER 31, 1956

Cash		
Personal Property Taxes 1955	\$62,020.23	
Real Estate Taxes 1955	2,036.78	
Poll Taxes 1956	8,673.71	
Personal Property Taxes 1956	10.00	
Real Estate Taxes 1956	5,247.99	
Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes 1955	30,614.14	
Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes 1956	1,902.91	
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax Revenue	20,089.50	
Tax Titles		\$21,992.41
Tax Title Revenue	2,143.97	
Tax Title Town Possessions	1,271.25	2,143.97
Tax Title Town Possessions Revenue		1,271.25
Water Meter Deposits		330.00
Water Rates, and Charges, Accts. Rec.	10,070.17	
Water Liens Added to Taxes 1954	65.52	
Water Liens Added to Taxes 1956	698.45	
Water Revenue		10,834.14
Temporary Aid—State—Cities—Towns, Accts. Rec.	265.35	
Aid to Dependent Children—State, Accts. Rec.	1,396.57	
Old Age Assistance—Cities—Towns, Accts. Rec.	2,238.04	
Veterans Benefits—State—Accts. Rec.	2,700.17	
Ambulance Fees—Accts. Rec.	156.38	
Departmental Revenue		6,756.51
Disability Assistance Recoveries		932.73
Old Age Assistance Recoveries		8,102.82
Tailings—Reserve for Unclaimed Checks		8.40
Library Trust Fund Withdrawals		.61
Overlay Surplus		496.09
Overlay 1954		
		729.73



Overlay 1955		2,895.41
Overlay 1956		1,359.93
County Tax 1956	567.94	
State Parks and Reservations 1956	410.71	
Norfolk County Mosquito Control Project Assessment	2,646.00	
Tax Title Foreclosure Expense Reserve		266.63
Surplus Revenue		66,353.50
Revenue 1957	10,000.00	
Stabilization Fund		10,000.00
Loans Authorized—Elementary School	450,000.00	
Loans Authorized—Unissued		38,950.00
Highway Loans in Anticipation of Reimbursement		
State Aid to Highways—Chapter 81—Accts. Rec.	5,966.03	
State Aid to Highways—Chapter 90 Maintenance—Accts. Rec.	1,499.86	
State Aid to Highways—Chapter 90 Construction—Accts. Rec.	15,000.00	
County Aid to Highways—Chapter 90 Maintenance—Accts. Rec.	1,499.86	
County Aid to Highways—Chapter 90 Construction—Accts. Rec.	5,000.00	
Norfolk County Hospital Assessment 1956		179.52
Highway Chapter 90 Construction		6,685.37
Snow Removal Deficit	2,140.16	
Farm Street—Improvements		2,000.00
Fourth Avenue—Improvements		750.00
Garden Street—Improvements		65.60
James Street—Improvements		378.41
Lowland Road—Improvements		570.40
Middle Avenue—Improvements		500.00
Moody Street—Improvements & Sidewalk		118.71
Pulaski Blvd. Drainage—Easterly Side		176.89
Pulaski Blvd. Drainage—Westerly Side		336.25
Rondeau Road—Improvements		436.90
Disability Assistance—U. S.		347.79
Disability Assistance Administration—U. S.		140.70
Old Age Assistance—U. S.		13.85
Old Age Assistance Administration—U. S.		709.49
Aid to Dependent Children Administration U. S.		63.61
School Milk Fund (Revolving)		671.15
School Athletic Fund (Revolving)		10.01

School Building Committee Expense	1,622.87	
Elementary School Construction	2,000.00	
North Municipal Athletic Field	248.50	
Blue Cross-Blue Shield—Payroll Deductions	307.45	
Group Life Insurance—Payroll Deductions	85.97	
Court Judgments	5,343.98	
	603.60	
Lakeshore Drive—Water Mains		169,000.00
Net Funded and Fixed Debt		
High School Building Loan	4,000.00	
Water Bonds—W. P. A.	20,000.00	
Water Bonds—P. W. A.	81,000.00	
Water Bonds—Wrentham—Lake—Locust Sts.—Water Mains	3,000.00	
Water Bonds—Lake—Mohawk—Cranberry Meadow Rd.—Herbert Mills—Water Mains	12,000.00	
Water Bonds—Park & Locust Sts.—Water Mains	5,000.00	
Water Bonds—Additional Water Supply Construction	23,000.00	
Water Bonds—Scott Hill Acres—Depot & Lake Sts.—Scott Hill Blvd.—Water Mains	21,000.00	
Trust Fund—Cash and Securities		11,211.62
Stephen & Jessie Coombs Cemetery Fund		
Oak Hill Cemetery Fund	103.60	
Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund Bequests	1,171.46	
Henry T. Whitney Library Fund	9,833.49	
	103.07	
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	\$827,273.04	\$827,273.04

## BALANCE SHEET

# TOWN OF BELLINGHAM

Balance Sheet — December 31, 1956

## GENERAL ACCOUNTS

### ASSETS

Cash:

Banks and Office

Accounts Receivable

Taxes:

Levy of 1955 Personal Property \$2,036.78  
 Levy of 1955 Real Estate 8,673.71  
 Levy of 1956 Polls 10.00  
 Levy of 1956 Personal Property 5,247.99  
 Levy of 1956 Real Estate 30,614.14

46,582.62

Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise Taxes:

Levy of 1955 1,902.91  
 Levy of 1956 20,089.50

21,992.41

Tax Titles

2,143.97

Tax Possessions

1,271.25

### LIABILITIES AND RESERVES

Highway Loans in Anticipation of

Reimbursement \$38,950.00

Tax Title Foreclosure Expense Reserve 266.63

Water Meter Deposits 330.00

Tailings—Reserve for Unclaimed Checks 8.40

School Athletic Fund—Revolving 10.01

School Milk Fund—Revolving 671.15

Library Trust Fund Withdrawals .61

Court Judgments (Land Cases) 5,343.98

Blue Cross-Blue Shield Payroll

Deductions 307.45

Group Insurance—Payroll Deductions 85.97

45,974.20

Federal Grants:

Disability Assistance 347.79

Disability Assistance Administration 140.70

Old Age Assistance 13.85

Old Age Assistance Administration 709.49

Aid to Dependent Children

Administration 63.61

1,275.44

Departmental:	
Temporary Aid—State, Cities, Towns	265.35
Aid to Dependent Children—State	1,396.57
Old Age Assistance—Cities, Towns	2,238.04
Veterans Benefits—State	2,700.17
Ambulance Fees	156.38
Water Rates and Charges	10,070.17
Water Liens Added to Taxes 1954	65.52
Water Liens Added to Taxes 1956	698.45
Aid to Highways:	
State—Chapter 81	5,966.03
State—Chapter 90 Maintenance	1,499.86
State—Chapter 90 Construction	15,000.00
County—Chapter 90 Maintenance	1,499.86
County—Chapter 90 Construction	5,000.00
Overlay Deficits:	
Levy of 1954	567.94
Underestimates 1956:	410.71
County Tax	2,646.00
State Parks and Reservations	
Norfolk County Mosquito Control	
Appropriation Deficits:	
Chapter 44, Section 31, General Laws	
Snow Removal Deficit	
Revenue 1957	
Stabilization Fund Voted	
Loans Authorized:	
Elementary School Construction	
Total Assets	

Recoveries:		
Disability Assistance	932.73	
Old Age Assistance	8,102.82	9,035.55
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Appropriation Balances	16,493.50	
Over-Estimates 1956:		
Norfolk County Hospital Assessment	179.52	
Overlay Surplus Reserve	496.09	
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Overlay Reserved for Abatements:		
Levy of 1955	2,895.41	
Levy of 1956	1,359.93	4,255.34
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Revenue Reserved until Collected:		
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise		
Taxes	21,992.41	
Tax Titles	2,143.97	
Tax Possessions	1,271.25	
Water	10,834.14	
Departmental	6,756.51	42,998.28
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Surplus Revenue	66,353.50	
Stabilization Fund	10,000.00	
Loans Authorized—Unissued	450,000.00	
Total Liabilities and Reserves	647,061.42	

# DEBT ACCOUNTS

Net Funded or Fixed Debt—		
Inside Limit	4,000.00	4,000.00
Outside Limit	165,000.00	165,000.00
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	169,000.00	169,000.00

# TRUST ACCOUNTS

Trust Funds, Cast and Securities	11,211.62	11,211.62
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Total	\$827,273.04	\$827,273.04

Stephen and Jessie Coombs Cemetery Fund	103.60
Oak Hill Cemetery Fund	1,171.46
Cemetery Perpetual Care Bequests	9,833.49
Henry T. Whitney Library Fund	103.07
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	11,211.62
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Total	\$827,273.04



# **ANNUAL TOWN WARRANT**



**TOWN OF BELLINGHAM****WARRANT****ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION and MEETING OF 1957****Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

Norfolk, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Bellingham:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of Bellingham qualified by law to vote in elections and town affairs to meet at the Town Hall in Precinct No. 1, at the North Bellingham Community House in Precinct No. 2, and at the South Bellingham Community Building in Precinct No. 3, in said Bellingham, on

**MONDAY, MARCH 4, 1957**

at 12:00 o'clock noon, for the following purposes:

To bring in their votes upon one official ballot to the election officials for the following town officers:

Town Clerk	for a term of one year
Town Treasurer	for a term of one year
Two Selectmen	for terms of one year
Tax Collector	for a term of one year
Tax Assessor	for a term of three years
Planning Board Member	for a term of five years
Tree Warden	for a term of one year
School Committee Member	for a term of three years
Two Welfare Board Members	for terms of one year
Water Commissioner	for a term of three years
Two Library Trustees	for terms of three years
Cemetery Committee Member	for a term of three years
Moderator	for a term of one year
Four Constables	for a term of one year

And also on the same ballot to bring in their votes upon the following question:

Shall the approval by the Board of Selectmen of the Webster land location on the southerly side of Mechanic Street and the westerly side of Maple Street for a race track for dog racing meetings in this town, be ratified and confirmed?

**POLLS WILL OPEN AT 12:00 NOON AND CLOSE AT 8:00 P. M.**

## SUBSEQUENT MEETING

And also to meet at the Bellingham High School Auditorium in said Bellingham on

FRIDAY, MARCH 8, 1957,

at 8:00 P. M., then and there to act upon the following articles:

ARTICLE 1. To see what sums the Town will vote to raise and appropriate by taxation or by transfer from available funds or otherwise, for the following purposes, or act or do anything in relation thereto:

**Item**

## GENERAL GOVERNMENT

1. Moderator
2. Finance Committee
3. Selectmen
4. Accountant
5. Tax Collector
6. Treasurer
7. Assessors
8. Town Clerk
9. Elections-Registration
10. Law
11. Town Hall and Town Garage
12. North Community House
13. South Community Building
14. Planning Board

## PROTECTION OF PERSONS-Property

15. Police and Police Uniforms
16. Fire
17. Forest Fires
18. Tree Warden and Moth Extermination
19. Sealer of Weights-Measures
20. Inspector of Wires
21. Civilian Defense
22. Town Ambulance-Rescue Wagon

## HIGHWAYS

23. General
24. Chapter 81
25. Chapter 90 Maintenance
26. Chapter 90 Construction
27. Snow Removal-Sanding

- 28. Sand Cleaning
- 29. Bridges-Railings
- 30. Signs-Guideboards
- 31. Sidewalk Maintenance
- 32. Machinery Account
- 33. Street Lights

#### CHARITIES

- 34. General Relief
- 35. Old Age Assistance
- 36. Aid to Dependent Children
- 37. Disability Allowances
- 38. Veterans' Benefits

#### RECREATION-CELEBRATION

- 39. South Municipal Field
- 40. North Municipal Field
- 41. School Athletic Fund
- 42. Memorial and Armistice Days

#### HEALTH AND SANITATION

- 43. Board of Health
- 44. Town Dump
- 45. Garbage Removal

#### EDUCATION

- 46. Schools
- 47. Vocational Training
- 48. Libraries

#### PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISES

- 49. Water

#### CEMETERIES

- 50. North, Center and South Cemeteries

#### MATURING DEBT AND INTEREST

- 51. Maturing Debt
- 52. Interest
- 53. Certification of Notes

#### UNCLASSIFIED

- 54. Retirement System
- 55. Property Damage-Personal Injuries
- 56. Town Reports

- 57. Town Buildings Insurance
- 58. Reserve Fund
- 59. Unpaid Bills of Prior Years
- 60. Blue Cross-Blue Shield
- 61. Group Life Insurance

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1958, and to issue note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to change the date of the annual financial town meeting from the Friday succeeding the town election to the second Friday after the town election, by striking out Section 2 of Article II of the town by-laws and inserting therein a new section to read as follows:

"Section 2. All business of the annual town meeting, except the election of such officers and the determination of such matters as are required by law to be elected or determined by ballot, shall be considered at an adjournment of such meeting to be held on the second Friday after the town election at 8:00 P.M.;" or act or do anything in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the town will vote to change the hours of opening of the polls at the town election from 12:00 o'clock noon to 10 o'clock in the morning, by striking out Section 3 of Article II of the town by-laws and inserting therein a new section to read as follows:

"Section 3. The polls shall be opened at 10 o'clock in the morning and shall remain open until 8 o'clock in the evening;" or act or do anything in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the town will vote to direct and authorize the Assessors of Taxes to transfer the sum of \$10,000 from the Surplus Revenue Account for the purpose of reducing the 1957 tax rate; or act or do anything in relation thereto. (by request of Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to amend and revise the vote adopted under Article 8 of the 1954 Annual Town Meeting warrant, with reference to an appropriation for Farm Street, by striking out the distance of 4900 feet stipulated in said vote; or act or do anything in relation thereto. (by petition)

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2000.00 for the purpose of improving and repairing Farm Street running northerly from the present paved section at the Town Farm; or act or do anything in relation thereto. (by petition)

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement and surfacing of Auger Street; or act or do anything in relation thereto. (by petition)

ARTICLE 9. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of surfacing and draining the town common at Bellingham Center; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of cleaning and trenching Peters' River northerly from the Woonsocket city line towards Paine Street; or act or do anything in relation thereto. (by petition)

ARTICLE 11. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of stocking ponds and other inland waters in the town with fish; or act or do anything in relation thereto. (by petition of Bungay Brook Club)

ARTICLE 12. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of draining and paving Silver Avenue at Scott Hill Acres for a distance of 1410 feet southerly from Pond Street; or act or do anything in relation thereto, (by petition)

ARTICLE 13. To see if the town will accept as public ways Dorothy Avenue and Brian Road as laid out on a plan of land entitled "Scott Hill Acres," and accept the deeds of said streets; or act or do anything in relation thereto. (by petition)

ARTICLE 14. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate sums of money for the purpose of draining and surfacing Dorothy Avenue and Brian Road at Scott Hill Acres; or act or do anything in relation thereto. (by petition)

ARTICLE 15. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of draining and improving Newland Avenue for a distance of 500 feet northwesterly from Center Street; or act or do anything in relation thereto. (by petition)

ARTICLE 16. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to establish a drainage system on Harpin Street from the location of the new elementary school to Pulaski Blvd.; said system to include 8 catchbasins, 4 manholes, and 1152 feet of 12" pipe; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to install a street light on the southerly side of Poirier Street at pole #354, or act or do anything in relation thereto. (by petition)

ARTICLE 18. To see if the town will vote to install street lights on Florida Street at poles numbered 2, 4, and 6; or act or do anything in relation thereto.



ARTICLE 19. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purchase of a standby gasoline operated generator for the No. 3 water pumping station for emergency use in case of electric power failure; or act or do anything in relation thereto. (request of Water Commissioners)

ARTICLE 20. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of extending the six inch water main from the High School on Harpin Street to South Main Street; or act or do anything in relation thereto. (request of Water Commissioners)

ARTICLE 21. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the installation of water mains of not less than six inches in diameter, complete with hydrants, valves and other appurtenances, on Liberty Street from Pulaski Blvd. in a northwesterly direction to the intersection of said Liberty Street and Robert Street, a distance of about 440 feet; or act or do anything in relation thereto. (by petition)

ARTICLE 22. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the installation of water mains of not less than six inches in diameter on Farm Street from the existing main at Happy Hill sub-division and running northerly for a distance of 7000 feet; said sum to include hydrants, valves and all necessary appurtenances; or act or do anything in relation thereto. (by petition)

ARTICLE 23. To see if the town will vote a sum of money to purchase a site for a playground in Bellingham Center, and to see if the town will vote a sum of money to develop the purchased site into a playground; or act or do anything in relation thereto. (by petition)

ARTICLE 24. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purchase of portable radios for Civilian Defense; or act or do anything in relation thereto. (request of Civilian Defense)

ARTICLE 25. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the payment of land damages awarded by the County of Norfolk in connection with the relocation of Center Street and in connection with the relocation of Wrentham Street at Peters' River; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 26. To see if the town will vote to accept the provisions of Section 97A of Chapter 41 of the General Laws, providing for the establishment, operation and regulation of the Police Department; or act or do anything in relation thereto. (by petition)

ARTICLE 27. To see if the town will vote to hear the report prepared in June of 1956 by the Water Study Committee, so-called, being the Committee appointed by vote of the Special Town Meeting of May 3, 1954, and now no longer in official capacity because of By-Law limitation; and act thereon; or act or do anything in relation thereto. (by petition of Irving A. King and others).

ARTICLE 28. (a) To see if the town will vote to hear a report on the operation and financing of the Water Department as compiled by a committee of five citizens after a 2 year study.

(b) To see if the town will vote to accept the aforesaid report on the operation and financing of the Water Department, to be made a part of the town records and to be included in the annual town report, or act in any manner relative thereto.

(c) To see if the town will vote to make any recommendations on the operation and financing of the Water Department and on rules and regulations affecting said department, or act in any manner relative thereto.

(d) To see if the town will vote to act in any manner relative to the consideration of water meters. (by petition of Joseph Chamberlain and others).

ARTICLE 29. To see if the town will vote to accept as public ways the following streets, or parts of streets, and accept the deeds therefor; the said streets or parts of streets having been recommended for acceptance by the Planning Board:

1. Harper Boulevard, for a distance of 300 feet northeasterly from South Main Street.
2. Potter Drive for a distance of 1,040 feet westerly from South Main Street.
3. Kennedy Road, for a distance of 560 feet northerly from Potter Drive.
4. Holmstrom Road, for a distance of 250 feet westerly from Kennedy Road.
5. Holman Street, for a distance of 100 feet northerly from Holmstrom Road; the aforesaid last four streets being located in development known as Scott Hill Gardens. (by request of Planning Board)

And you are hereby directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof in at least one public place in each Precinct in said town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of meeting, as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this twenty-fifth day of January in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fifty-seven.

ZEPHIRIN J. REMILLARD

WALTER P. LEWINSKI

ALFRED M. COTE

Board of Selectmen

A True Copy.

Attest:

..... Constable of Bellingham

**ANNUAL REPORT**

OF THE

**TOWN CLERK**

INCLUDING

**RECORDS OF THE TOWN MEETING**

**ELECTION**

**TOWN OF BELLINGHAM**

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1956



**WARRANT**  
**FOR ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION AND MEETING A. D. 1956**

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Norfolk,ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Bellingham:                      Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of Bellingham qualified by law to vote in elections and in Town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall in Precinct No. 1, at the Community House in Precinct No. 2, and at the Community Building in Precinct No. 3, in said Bellingham on

MONDAY, MARCH 5, 1956

at 12:00 o'clock noon, for the following purposes: To bring in their votes upon one ballot to the election officials for the following Town Officers: SELECTMEN, for a term of one year; WATER COMMISSIONER, for a term of three years; TAX ASSESSOR, for a term of three years; BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE, for a term of one year; TWO SCHOOL COMMITTEEMEN, for a term of three years; CEMETERY COMMITTEEMAN, for a term of three years; TWO PUBLIC LIBRARY TRUSTEES, for a term of three years; FOUR CONSTABLES, for a term of one year; ONE MEMBER OF PLANNING BOARD, for a term of five years; ONE MEMBER OF PLANNING BOARD, for a term of four years; ONE MEMBER OF PLANNING BOARD, for a term of three years; ONE MEMBER OF PLANNING BOARD, for a term of two years; ONE MEMBER OF PLANNING BOARD, for a term of one year. And also on the same ballot to bring in their votes upon the following question:

“Shall chapter 32B of the General Laws, authorizing any county, city, town or district to provide a plan of group life insurance, group accidental death and dismemberment insurance, and group general or blanket hospital, surgical and medical insurance for certain persons in the service of such county, city, town or district and their dependents, be accepted by this town?”

Polls will open at 12:00 noon and close at 8:00 P.M.

## SUBSEQUENT MEETING

And also to meet at the Bellingham High School Auditorium in said Town of Bellingham on Friday, March 9, 1956 at 8:00 P.M. then and there to act upon the following articles:

ARTICLE 1. To see what sums the Town will vote to raise and appropriate by taxation or by transfer from available funds or otherwise, for the following purposes, or act or do anything in relation thereto:

### GENERAL GOVERNMENT

- Item 1. Moderator
- Item 2. Finance Committee
- Item 3. Selectmen
- Item 4. Accountant
- Item 5. Tax Collector
- Item 6. Treasurer
- Item 7. Assessors
- Item 8. Town Clerk
- Item 9. Elections-Registration
- Item 10. Law
- Item 11. Town Hall
- Item 12. North Community Building
- Item 13. South Community Building
- Item 14. Town Barn-Fire Station

### PROTECTION OF PERSONS-PROPERTY

- Item 15. Police and Police Uniforms
- Item 16. Fire
- Item 17. Forest Fire
- Item 18. Tree Warden and Moth Extermination
- Item 19. Sealer of Weights and Measures
- Item 20. Inspector of Wires
- Item 21. Civilian Defense
- Item 22. Town Ambulance-Rescue Wagon

### HIGHWAYS

- Item 23. General
- Item 24. Chapter 81
- Item 25. Chapter 90 Maintenance
- Item 26. Chapter 90 Construction
- Item 27. Snow Removal-Sanding
- Item 28. Sand Cleaning
- Item 29. Bridges-Railings
- Item 30. Signs-Guideboards
- Item 31. Sidewalk Maintenance
- Item 32. Machinery Account
- Item 33. Street Lights



## CHARITIES

- Item 34. General Relief
- Item 35. Old Age Assistance
- Item 36. Aid to Dependent Children
- Item 37. Disability Allowances
- Item 38. Veterans' Benefits

## RECREATION-CELEBRATIONS

- Item 39. South Municipal Field
- Item 40. North Municipal Field
- Item 41. School Athletic Fund
- Item 42. Memorial and Armistice Days

## HEALTH AND SANITATION

- Item 43. Board of Health
- Item 44. Norfolk County Hospital

## EDUCATION

- Item 45. Schools
- Item 46. Vocation Training
- Item 47. Libraries

## PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISES

- Item 48. Water

## CEMETERIES

- Item 49. North, Center and South Cemeteries

## MATURING DEBT AND INTEREST

- Item 50. Maturing Debt
- Item 51. Interest on Maturing Debt
- Item 52. Interest on Temporary Loans
- Item 53. Certification of Notes
- Item 57. Town Building Insurance

## UNCLASSIFIED

- Item 54. Retirement System
- Item 55. Property Damage-Personal Injuries
- Item 56. Town Reports
- Item 57. Town Buildings Insurance
- Item 58. Reserve Fund
- Item 59. Unpaid Bills of Prior Years
- Item 60. Planning Board

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1957, and to issue note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of purchasing a truck for the Highway Department; or act or do anything in relation thereto. (By Board of Selectmen)

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for improving, widening and surfacing Moody Street; or act or do anything in relation thereto. (By Petition)

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purchase and installation of a two-way radio system for Civil Defense; or act or do anything in relation thereto. (By Petition)

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to accept the deeds and layout of that section of Bliss Road extending in a northerly direction from Mann Street for a distance of 600 feet; or act or do anything in relation thereto. (By Petition)

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for improving and resurfacing that section of Bliss Road extending 600 feet north from Mann Street; or act or do anything in relation thereto. (By Petition)

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for repairs and improvements of Garden Street; or act or do anything in relation thereto. (By Petition)

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectment to accept the deeds and layouts of Newland Avenue, 425 feet long by 40 feet in width, said street starting from Center Street; or act or do anything in relation thereto. (By Petition)

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for improving Newland Avenue from Center Street; or act or do anything in relation thereto. (By Petition)

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Section 97A of Chapter 41, General Laws, providing for the establishment, operation and regulation of the Police Department; or act or do anything in relation thereto. (By Petition)

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Moderator to appoint a Committee of three to study the possibility of having the Town collect garbage and/or rubbish and make recommendation for same; said Committee to report at the next Special Town Meeting but not later than June 1, 1956; or act or do anything in relation thereto. (By Petition)

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to accept the deeds and layouts of Laliberte Avenue and Robert Avenue; Laliberte Avenue for a distance of 540 feet in length and 40 feet wide running north from Pulaski Blvd.; Robert Avenue for a distance of 600 feet and 40 feet wide running northeast from Laliberte Avenue. (By Petition)

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purchase and installation of 24 inch and 30 inch drain pipes for the establishment of a drainage system from the easterly side of Pulaski Blvd. to Peter's River; said pipes to be laid along Summer Street on a right of way obtained by the Town in 1938; or act or do anything in relation thereto. (By Petition)

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purchase and installation of 12 inch and 24 inch drain pipes for the establishment of a drainage system on the westerly side of Pulaski Blvd. in that certain area extending easterly from Pothier Street along Westminster Avenue, to Pulaski Blvd.; or act or do anything in relation thereto. (By Petition)

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the installation of street lights as follows: Chestnut Street Pole 4-8-12-17, Cranberry Meadow Road Pole 3-8. (By Petition)

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the construction of a combined supply-room and garage for the Water Department; said building to be constructed on Town owned land located on Wrentham Road in vicinity of No. 3 Pumping Station; or act or do anything in relation thereto. (By Petition)

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the installation of water mains of not less than six (6) inches in diameter, beginning at end of existing main on Lakeshore Drive, and continuing in a southerly direction and connecting to end of main on Cranberry Meadow Road, a distance of approximately 525 feet more or less; said sum to include hydrants, valves and all necessary appurtenances; or act or do anything in relation thereto. (By Petition)

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to purchase and install water mains of not less than six (6) inches on Maple Street south from Mechanic Street; said sum to include hydrants, valves and all necessary appurtenances; or act or do anything in relation thereto. (By Petition)

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to purchase and install water mains of not less than six (6) inches in diameter, complete with hydrants, valves, etc., on Elm Street from South Main Street to the Blackstone Town line; or act or do anything in relation thereto. (By Petition)

ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will vote to accept as public ways the following streets, as laid out in plans entitled "Scott Hill Acres": Dorothy Avenue, 40 feet wide and 840 feet long; Brian Road, 40 feet wide and 840 feet long; Florence Street, 40 feet wide and 765 feet long; Geordan Avenue, 40 feet wide and 475 feet long; Otis Street, 40 feet wide, 185 feet long; or act or do anything in relation thereto. (By Petition)

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to drain and pave the following streets on plans entitled "Scott Hill Acres": Chamberlain Road, 40 feet wide and 865 feet long; North Center Street, 40 feet wide and 449 feet long; South Center Street, 40 feet wide and 540 feet long; James Street, 40 feet wide and 1513 feet long; Rondeau Road, 40 feet wide and 1324 feet long; or act or do anything in relation thereto. (By Petition)

ARTICLE 23. To see if the Town will vote to amend its By-Laws by inserting the following additional section to be designated as Section 3 of Article IX:

"The use and operation of heavy commercial vehicles having a carrying capacity of more than three tons are hereby prohibited upon the Streets described herein except where such vehicles are delivering goods to or goods from points on said streets: Easy Street, Douglas Drive, Potter Circle, Pond Street, Chamberlain Road, South Center Street, North Center Street, and Short Street"; or act or do anything in relation thereto. (By Petition)

ARTICLE 24. To see if the Town will hear the report of the School Building Committee appointed by the Moderator under Article 4 of the Special Town Meeting held November 14, 1955.

ARTICLE 25. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Moderator to appoint a School Building Committee of seven (7) members and that said School Building Committee be authorized to undertake the remaining preliminary work relative to the construction of additional elementary school accommodations in the Town of Belling-



ham and that the sum of \$485.10 be raised and appropriated by transfer from the unexpended balance of the previous School Building Committee plus the raising and appropriation of an additional \$2014.90, the sum total of \$2500.00 to be used to defray any and all expenses incurred by said School Building Committee in connection with the aforesaid preliminary work, and that said committee report its progress to the town at the earliest possible time; or act or do anything in relation thereto. (By Petition)

ARTICLE 26. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the payment of land damage awarded by the County of Norfolk in connection with the relocation of Center Street; or act or do anything in relation, thereto.

ARTICLE 27. To see if the Town will vote to amend Article nine (9) of the Town By-Laws by striking out section two (2) thereof and inserting the following new section two (2):

1. The removal of soil, loam, sand or gravel from any parcel of land not in public use in the Town of Bellingham, except as hereinafter provided, shall be allowed only after a written permit is obtained therefore from the Board of Selectmen after a public hearing of which notice must be given to abutters and also published in the Woonsocket Call and the Milford Daily News by said Board at least seven days prior to said public hearing.

2. No permit shall be required for the continuous operation on any parcel of land of a sand and gravel pit in operation at the time this by-law is adopted, provided such operation is not thereafter discontinued for more than one year. A permit shall be required however, for such continuous operation if, at the time this by-law is adopted, said operation has extended to within three hundred ft. of a st., way or abutter. No permit shall be required for the removal of soil, loam, sand, or gravel from any parcel of land when incidental to and in connection with the construction of a building on said parcel. No permit shall be required for the removal of soil, loam, sand or gravel from any parcel of land by an owner whose principal business is not sand and gravel business and who removes said soil, loam, sand or gravel for his own usage or for the use of any other person, but not for the sale thereof. A permit shall be required however, for the removal of soil, loam, sand or gravel from any parcel of land when the purpose of said removal is such as to alter the present usage of said parcel, and said purpose shall be written into the permit and into the records of the Board.

3. In issuing a permit under this by-law the Board of Selectmen may impose such reasonable conditions not specifically provided for herein as it may deem necessary for the adequate protection of the neighborhood and the Town. Any condition imposed by the Board shall be attached to and made part of the permit. The Board may require a bond in an amount not to exceed \$1,000.00 (one thousand dollars) for the issuance of any permit required under this by-law for compliance with the conditions of said by-law and as evidence of good faith as to the completion of any proposed alteration in the usage of a parcel of land.

The Board shall, after a public hearing subject to the conditions set forth in paragraph one (1) of this by-law, and on proof of violation of any condition of this law, revoke a permit or permits issued in connection therewith. No permit shall be issued under the provisions of this by-law for a period of more than two years.

4. The Board, in issuing such permits as are authorized herein, shall impose such reasonable conditions as to the disposition of top soil and the reestablishment of ground levels and grades as it may deem necessary, including the replacement of such top soil and the re-seeding thereof.

#### Removal of Soil or Loam:

5. Soil or loam may be removed from any parcel of land within such parcel determined by the Board to be unsuited to agricultural use, and the Board may issue a permit for such removal, provided that the Board, before issuing said permit, obtains the recommendations of the appropriate Soil District Supervisor and the County Extension Director or Agent, or their successors, said recommendations to be made a part of the records of the Board. In issuing a permit the Board shall impose reasonable conditions as authorized in paragraph four (4) of this by-law.

6. Whoever violates the provisions of this by-law shall be punished in accordance with the provisions of the General Laws, Chapter 40 Section 21, as amended. Each day on which the removal of soil, loam, sand or gravel takes place in violation of the terms of this by-law shall constitute a separate offense for the person causing the removal of the same. (By Petition)

And you are hereby directed to serve this Warrant, by posting up attested copies thereof in at least one public place in each precinct in said Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of meeting, as aforesaid:

Given under our hands this twenty-third day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fifty-six.

ZEPHIRIN J. REMILLARD  
WALTER P. LEWINSKI  
ALFRED M. COTE

Selectmen of Bellingham

A true copy.

Attest:

HAROLD E. COOK,  
Constable of Bellingham

**RETURN ON THE WARRANT**

Norfolk, ss.

Pursuant to the within Warrant, I have notified and warned the inhabitants of the Town of Bellingham, qualified by law to vote in primaries and elections to meet at the time, place and for the purpose within stated by posting up attested copies of the same in at least one public place in each Precinct in accordance with the Town By-laws seven days before the date hereof, as within directed.

HAROLD E. COOK,

Constable of Bellingham

A true record.

Attest:

Bellingham Town Clerk

**TOWN ELECTION**

March 5, 1956

**Selectman (1 Year)**

Precincts	1	2	3	Totals
*Walter P. Lewinski	191	95	586	872
Elmer W. Ambler	183	43	160	386
Alex Galuza	205	113	438	756
Blanks	9	6	44	59
Totals	588	257	1,228	2,073

**Tax Assessor (3 Years)**

*Donat Laplante	294	129	790	1,213
Arthur J. Trottier	269	119	414	802
Blanks	25	9	24	58
Totals	588	257	1,228	2,073

**Water Commission (3 Years)**

*Arthur Ayotte	288	130	664	1,082
Oscar Trudeau	285	113	538	936
Blanks	15	14	26	55
Totals	588	257	1,228	2,073

**Welfare Board (1 Year)**

*Roger Rue	293	129	812	1,234
Chester Hood	275	117	376	768
Blanks	20	11	40	71
Totals	588	257	1,228	2,073



**Library Trustees (3 Years)**

*Thelma Ambler	387	143	686	1,216
*Matilda Harper	331	124	637	1,092
Emma Guerin	225	92	519	836
Anita Hadley	162	103	408	673
Blanks	71	52	206	329
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Totals	1,176	514	2,456	4,146

**Constables (1 Year)**

*Harold E. Cook	385	137	781	1,303
*Raymond S. Dalpe	363	115	868	1,346
*Romeo P. Godin	369	133	729	1,231
*Wilfred LeBlanc	354	168	695	1,217
Roger Dauphin	183	76	517	776
Leonard L. Hadley	185	95	325	605
Norman L. McLinden	160	133	208	501
Roger E. Tessier	204	87	493	784
Blanks	149	84	296	529
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Totals	2,352	1,028	4,912	8,292

**School Committee (3 Years)**

*Louis Daigle	312	119	733	1,164
Virginia B. Bliss	342	149	486	977
Edward J. Cameron	232	111	338	681
*Eugene E. Lemire	205	80	721	1,006
Blanks	85	55	178	318
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Totals	1,176	514	2,456	4,146

**Planning Board (5 Years)**

*Wilfred E. Arcand	311	95	799	1,205
Michael J. Connors	255	145	381	781
Blanks	22	17	48	87
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Totals	588	257	1,228	2,073

**Planning Board (4 Years)**

Richard C. Hill	299	151	507	957
*Robert H. Hunter	260	90	629	979
Blanks	29	16	92	137
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Totals	588	257	1,228	2,073

**Planning Board (3 Years)**

*Windsor Bates	315	105	755	1,175
Edwin H. Matasik	244	134	408	786
Blanks	29	18	65	112
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Totals	588	257	1,228	2,073

**Planning Board (2 Years)**

*Alfred E. Staves	257	104	677	1,038
Charles F. Whipple	303	128	476	907
Blanks	28	25	75	128
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Totals	588	257	1,228	2,073

**Planning Board (1 Year)**

*Ferdinand J. Gladu	268	123	631	1,022
Albert H. Lussier	270	98	523	891
Blanks	50	36	74	160
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Totals	588	257	1,228	2,073

**Cemetery Committee (3 Years)**

*Albert Houle	326	121	806	1,253
Eugene Rhodes	234	107	369	710
Blanks	28	29	53	110
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Totals	588	257	1,228	2,073

**Question**

*Yes	368	134	741	1,243
No	133	69	252	454
Blanks	87	54	235	376
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Totals	588	257	1,228	2,073

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\*Elected

A true record.

ATTEST:

Bellingham Town Clerk

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**ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**

**March 9, 12, 16, 1956**

In accordance with the foregoing warrant given under the hands of the Selectmen on January 23, 1956, the inhabitants of Bellingham qualified by law to vote in elections and town affairs met at the High School Auditorium in Bellingham on Friday, March 9, 1956, at 8:00 P.M. and proceeded to act on the articles of the warrant as follows:

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 P.M. by Moderator Andor deJony, followed by the reading of the warrant by Town Clerk, Lionel R. Trudeau. There being more than one hundred voters present, the quorum required by the by-laws was established.

## ARTICLE 1.

On motion of Richard Ambler, duly seconded, it was voted to raise and appropriate the following:

Item 50. \$25,000. for Maturing debt.

Item 51. \$6,400. for Interest on maturing debt and Temporary Loans.

Item 52. (Included and part of Item 51).

Item 53. \$20. for Certification of Notes. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

Item 1. On motion of Richard Ambler, duly seconded, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$55, for the Moderator; \$35. for salary and \$20. for anticipated expense. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

Item 2. On motion of Richard Ambler, duly seconded, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$175. for the Finance Committee. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

Item 3. On motion of Zephirin J. Remillard, duly seconded, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,940. for the Selectmen's Department; said sum to be used as follows: the salary of the chairman to be \$350. and the salary of each of the other two members to be \$300., and to authorize the Selectmen to appoint one of their members as clerk at the salary of \$10. per week. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

Item 4. On motion of Joseph I. Taylor, duly seconded, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,698. for the Town Accountant's Dept.; salary of the Accountant to be \$2,400.; \$298 for expenses. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

Item 5. On motion of Joseph M. Bonollo, duly seconded, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,797. for the Tax Collector's Dept.; the salary of the Collector to be \$1,700. per year. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

Item 6. On motion of Walter D. Richard, duly seconded, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,465. for the Treasurer's Dept.; the salary of the Treasurer to be \$2,400. retroactive to January 1, 1956. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

Item 7. On motion of Donat Laplante, as amended by Alex Galuza and Alfred M. Cote, duly seconded, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,542. for the Assessors' Department. The salaries of the Assessors not to exceed \$3,600; salary of each assessor to be paid at the rate of \$8. per day. \$1,500. of said sum to be used for the printing of valuation books; said book to contain all abatements (excluding excise tax abatements) made in the past five years and giving the following for each abatement:

1. Year of abatement
2. Name of person or persons receiving abatement
3. Amount of abatement
4. Reason for abatement

The balance of the appropriation to be used for clerk, office supplies, abstracts, auto hire, telephones and other minor expenses. (Finance Committee recommended \$5,842.)

Item 8. On motion of Vincent Thayer, duly seconded, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,400. for the Town Clerk's Department; the salary of the Clerk to be \$1,440. per year retro-active to Jan. 1, 1956. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

Item 9. On motion of Gordon Curtis, duly seconded, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,200. for Elections-Registration. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

Item 10. On motion of Wilfred Arcand, duly seconded, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$800. for Law. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

Item 11. On motion of Alfred M. Cote, duly seconded, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,400. for the Town Hall; said sum to be used as follows: \$500. for repairs and improvements; \$3,900. for maintenance with salary of janitor to be \$1,560. per year. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

Item 12. On motion of Walter P. Lewinski, duly seconded, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,100. for the North Community House; said sum to be used as follows: \$500. for repairs and improvements; \$600. for maintenance with salary of janitor at \$260. per year. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

Item 13. On motion of Zephirin J. Remillard, duly seconded, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,400. for the South Community Bldg.; said sum to be used as follows: \$300. for repairs and improvements; \$1,100. for maintenance with salary of janitor at \$416. per year. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

Item 14. On motion of Alfred M. Cote, duly seconded, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,500. for Town Barn-Fire Station. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

Item 15. On motion of Euclide Fleurette, as amended by Herman G. Duvall and duly seconded, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$14,540. for the Police Department; the salary of the Chief to be \$4,680.; salary of the clerk to be \$1,820.; \$1,500. for Police Cruiser; \$450. for Police Uniforms; and \$50. for salary of Dog Officer. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

Item 16. On motion of Roland Robidoux, duly seconded, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,500. for the Fire Department. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

Item 17. On motion of Chester Barrows, duly seconded, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,500. for Forest Fires; salary of Warden to be \$500. per year. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

Item 18. On motion of Sylvio Dalpe, as amended by Herman Duvall and William Crouse, duly seconded, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,500. for the Tree Warden; salary of the Warden to be \$1,200. (Not recommended by the Finance Committee)

Item 19. On motion of Robert Hunter, duly seconded, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$125. for the Sealer of Weights and Measures. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

Item 20. On motion of Alfred M. Cote, duly seconded, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200. for the Inspector of Wires; salary of the Inspector to be \$75. per year. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

Item 21. On motion of Francis G. Locklin, duly seconded, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,200. for Civil Defense. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

Item 22. On motion of Chester Barrows, duly seconded, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500. for the Town Ambulance-Rescue Wagon. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

On motion of Richard Ambler, duly seconded, it was voted to raise and appropriate the following:

Item 23. \$3,500. for Highways General

Item 24. \$7,250. for Highways Chapter 81

Item 25. \$1,500. for Highways Chapter 90 Maintenance

Item 28. \$2,500. for Sand cleaning

Item 29. \$1,500. for Bridges and Railings

Item 30. \$ 700. for Signs and Guideboards

Item 31. \$ 250. for Sidewalk Maintenance

Item 32. \$3,000. for Machinery Account

Item 33. \$6,894. for Street Lights

(Recommended by Finance Committee)

Item 26. On motion of Wilfred Arcand, duly seconded, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000. for Highways; said sum to be used in conjunction with State and County funds under Chapter 90 construction on South Main Street. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

Item 27. On motion of Wilfred Arcand, duly seconded, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000. for Snow Removal and Sanding. (Recommended by Finance Committee)



On motion of Richard Ambler, duly seconded, it was voted to raise and appropriate the following:

Item 35. \$42,000. for Old Age Assistance; Agent's salary \$3,900.; Clerk's salary \$2,000. (salaries retroactive to 1-1-56).

Item 36. \$8,000. for Aid to Dependent Children

Item 37. \$5,100. for Disability Allowance

Item 38. \$15,100. for Veterans' Benefits; Agent's salary \$1,000. retroactive to 1-1-56.

(Recommended by Finance Committee)

Item 34. On motion of Leo A. Stearns, duly seconded, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,810. for the Welfare Department; salary of the Chairman to be \$350. and the other members \$300. each. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

On motion of Richard Ambler, duly seconded, it was voted to raise and appropriate the following:

Item 39. \$2,000. for South Municipal Field

Item 41. \$1,300. for School Athletic Fund

Item 42. \$ 750 for Memorial and Armistice Days

(Recommended by Finance Committee)

Item 40. On motion of Alfred M. Cote, duly seconded, it was voted to pass over this item as sufficient funds remain in this account. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

Item 44. On motion of Zephirin J. Remillard, duly seconded, it was voted to pass over this item.

Item 45. On motion of Joseph F. Spas, duly seconded, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$201,467. for the School Department. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

Item 46. On motion of Eugene Lemire, duly seconded, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000. for Vocational Education. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

Item 47. On motion of William Crouse, duly seconded, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,300. for the Bellingham Public Library, of which the sum of \$1,311.31 be raised from dog license revenue and \$1,988.69 from taxation; the salary of each trustee to be \$50. per year. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

On motion of Joseph Chamberlain, duly seconded, it was voted to adjourn this meeting to Monday, March 12, 1956 at 8:00 p.m. in the high school auditorium.

Meeting adjourned at 11:10 p.m. by Moderator deJony.

**ADJOURNED ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**  
**March 12, 1956**

Pursuant to and in accordance with a vote of adjournment passes at the Annual Town Meeting of March 9, 1956, and notices of said adjournment having been posted by the Town Clerk in accordance with Section 6 of Article 2 of the Town By-Laws, the inhabitants of Bellingham qualified by law to vote in elections and town affairs met at the Bellingham High School Auditorium on March 12, 1956 at 8:00 p.m. and proceeded to act on the warrant as follows:

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 p.m. by Moderator Andor deJony. There being more than one hundred voters present, the quorum required by the town by-laws was established.

Item 43. On motion of Alfred M. Cote, as amended by Douglas Auld and duly seconded, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,705. for the Health Department; and that a committee be appointed by the moderator to investigate sewerage conditions existing in the Scott Hill Acres between Rondeau Road and Silver Avenue, between Easy Street and Pond Street; said committee to obtain the assistance of the State Board of Health for recommendations as to the type and adequacy of the present sewerage disposals provided.

The recommendations of this committee are to be given to the Board of Selectmen acting as a Board of Health for their action within thirty days of submission. If not acted upon within thirty days, this committee is to petition the County Commissioners per Section 141 of Chapter 111 of the General Laws for relief.

Said committee to present a report at the next Special Town Meeting outlining what the recommendations were and what action has been taken and said report also to be included in the annual report to the town. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

Item 48. On motion of Arthur Ayotte, duly seconded, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$29,202.50 for the Water Department; the salary of the Chairman to be \$250. and each of the other two members to be \$200. and the Water Commissioners be authorized to appoint one of their members as clerk at a salary of \$350. (Finance Committee recommended \$28,406.)

Item 49. On motion of James Yates, duly seconded, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,225. for cemeteries; said sum to be expended as follows: North Cemetery—Salary and Labor \$300. and expenses \$25.; South Cemetery—Salary and Labor \$400.; Center Cemetery—Salary and Labor \$450. and expenses \$50. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

Item 54. On unanimous vote of the meeting, it was voted to pass over this item.



Item 55. On motion of Wilfred Arcand, duly seconded, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$250. for Property Damage and Personal Injuries. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

Item 56. On motion of Eugene Lemire, duly seconded, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,600. for Town Reports. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

Item 57. On motion of Zephirin J. Remillard, duly seconded, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$300. for Town Buildings Insurance (excluding schools). (Recommended by Finance Committee)

Item 58. On motion of Herman Duvall, duly seconded, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,000. for the Reserve Fund; \$1,258. of which to be transferred from the Overlay Surplus Account. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

Item 59. On motion of Richard Ambler, duly seconded, it was voted to pass over this item.

Item 60. On motion of Windsor Bates, duly seconded, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500. for the Planning Board. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

On motion of Alfred M. Cote, duly seconded, it was voted to take up Article 27 at this time.

ARTICLE 27. On motion of Michael J. Connors, duly seconded, it was voted to amend article nine of the Town By-laws by striking out section two thereof and inserting the following new section two:

1. The removal of soil, loam, sand or gravel from any parcel of land not in public use in the Town of Bellingham, except as herein-after provided, shall be allowed only after a written permit is obtained therefore from the Board of Selectmen after a public hearing of which written notice must be given to abutters and also published in the Woonsocket Call and the Milford Daily News by said Board at least 7 days prior to said public hearing.

2. No permit shall be required for the continuous operation on any parcel of land of a sand and gravel pit in operation at the time this by-law is adopted, provided such operation is not thereafter discontinued for more than one year. A permit shall be required, however, for such continuous operation if, at the time this by-law is adopted, said operation has extended to within three hundred feet of a street, way or abutter. No permit shall be required for the removal of soil, loam, sand, or gravel from any parcel of land when incidental to and in connection with the construction of a building on said parcel. No permit shall be required for the removal of soil, loam, sand or gravel from any parcel of land by an owner whose principal business is not the sand and gravel business and who removes said soil, loam, sand or gravel for his own usage or for the use of any other person, but not for the sale thereof. A permit shall be required, however, for the removal of soil, loam, sand or gravel from any parcel of land when the purpose of said removal is such as to alter the present usage of said parcel, and said purpose shall be written into the permit and into the records of the Board.

3. In issuing a permit under this by-law the Board of Selectmen may impose such reasonable conditions not specifically provided for herein as it may deem necessary for the adequate protection of the neighborhood and the Town. Any condition imposed by the Board shall be attached to and made a part of the permit. The Board may require a bond in an amount not to exceed \$1,000. for the issuance of any permit required under this by-law for compliance with the conditions of said by-law and as evidence of good faith as to the completion of any proposed alteration in the usage of a parcel of land.

The Board shall, after a public hearing subject to the conditions set forth in paragraph one of this by-law, and on proof of violation of any condition of this law, revoke any permit or permits issued in connection therewith. No permit shall be issued under the provisions of this by-law for a period of more than two years.

4. The Board, in issuing such permits as are authorized herein, shall impose such reasonable conditions as to the disposition of top soil and the reestablishment of ground levels and grades as it may deem necessary, including the replacement of such top soil and the re-seeding thereof.

#### Removal of Soil or Loam:

5. Soil or loam may be removed from any parcel of land within such parcel determined by the Board to be unsuited to agricultural use, and the Board may issue a permit for such removal, provided that the Board, before issuing said permit, obtains the recommendations of the appropriate Soil District Supervisor and the County Extension Director or Agent, or the successors, said recommendations to be made a part of the records of the Board. In issuing a permit the Board shall impose reasonable conditions as authorized in paragraph four of this by-law.

6. Whoever violates the provisions of this by-law shall be punished in accordance with the provisions of the General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 21, as amended. Each day on which the removal of soil, loam, sand or gravel takes place in violation of the terms of this by-law shall constitute a separate offense for the person causing the removal of the same. (Approved by the Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 2. On motion of William Crouse, duly seconded, it was voted to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1957 and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year, and to renew any notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44 of the General Laws. (Approved by the Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 3. On motion of Zephirin J. Remillard, duly seconded, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,700. for the purchase of a truck for the Highway Department. (Recommended by the Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 4. On motion of Wilfred Arcand, duly seconded, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,570. for improving Moody Street; said sum to be used to gravel and resurface said street with tar asphalt; the width of said resurfacing not to exceed 26 feet for a distance of approximately 640 feet; and sidewalk not to exceed 8 feet for a distance of approximately 500 feet. (Finance Committee recommended \$1,470.)

ARTICLE 5. On motion of Frank Spayd, duly seconded, it was voted to authorize the Moderator to appoint a committee of five members to investigate and study the advisability of the purchase and installation of a two-way radio system for Civilian Defense; said committee to report its findings and recommendations at a subsequent town meeting. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 6. On motion of Alfred M. Cote, duly seconded, it was voted to refer this article to the Planning Board. (Approved by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 7. On motion of Alfred M. Cote, duly seconded, it was voted to pass over this article.

ARTICLE 8. On motion of Wilfred Arcand, duly seconded, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$300. for the purpose of improving Garden Street for a distance of approximately 125 feet and 24 feet in width. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 9. On motion of Zephirin J. Remillard, duly seconded, it was voted to refer this article to the Planning Board. (Approved by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 10. On motion of Walter P. Lewinski, duly seconded, it was voted to pass over this article.

ARTICLE 11. The motion by Euclide Flechette, duly seconded, to accept the provision of Section 97A of Chapter 41 of the General Laws providing for the establishment, operation and regulation of the Police Department did not carry. (Not recommended by Finance Committee)

On motion of Richard Sooley, duly seconded, it was voted to consider articles 21, 22, and 23 at this time.

ARTICLE 21. On motion of R. M. Smith, duly seconded, it was voted to pass over this article.

ARTICLE 22. On motion of Douglas Auld, duly seconded, it was voted to raise and appropriate the following sums of money for the purpose of draining, improving and tarring the following streets in plans "Scott Hill Acres"; and that all restrictions, directions,

specifications and conditions stipulated in articles 3, 6, 7 of the Special Meeting held May 3, 1954 be stricken out and repealed:

Chamberlain Road, 35 feet wide and 952 feet long, the sum of \$4,046.90; said sum to be in addition to the sum of \$1,000. appropriated under article 7 of the Special Town Meeting held May 3, 1954.

South Center Street, 35 feet wide and 600 feet long, the sum of \$3,860.; said sum to be in addition to the sum of \$625. appropriated under article 3 of the aforesaid Special Town Meeting.

North Center Street, 35 feet wide and 400 feet long, the sum of \$1,149.30; said sum to be in addition to the sum of \$410. appropriated under article 6 of the aforesaid Special Town Meeting.

On motion of Richard Sooley, duly seconded, it was voted to table that section of Article 22 referring to James Street and Rondeau Road. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

Motion by Leo A. Gosselin, duly seconded, to reconsider all articles except item 43 of Article 1 and Article 27. (Above did not carry)

On motion of Alfred M. Cote, duly seconded, it was voted to adjourn this meeting to Friday, March 16, 1956 at 8:00 p.m. in the High School Auditorium.

Meeting adjourned at 11:12 p.m. by Moderator deJony.

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## **ADJOURNED ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**

**March 16, 1956**

Pursuant to and in accordance with a vote of adjournment passed at the Adjourned Annual Town Meeting of March 12, 1956, and notices of said adjournment having been posted by the Town Clerk in accordance with Section 6 of Article 2 of the Town By-laws, the inhabitants of Bellingham qualified by law to vote in elections and town affairs met at the Bellingham High School Auditorium on March 16, 1956 at 8:00 p.m. and proceeded to act on the warrant as follows:

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 p.m. by Moderator Andor deJony. There being more than one hundred voters present, the quorum required by the by-laws was established.

On motion of Joseph Spas, duly seconded, it was voted to consider Articles 14 and 15 at this time.



ARTICLE 14. On motion of Joseph Spas, as amended by Roland Fontaine and duly seconded, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,071. for the purchase and installation of drain pipes and appurtenances in connection with a drainage system to be built on the easterly side of Pulaski Boulevard and extending easterly from said Pulaski Boulevard to Peters River along Summer Street; the said system to include 325 feet of 30" pipe, 475 feet of 24" pipe, 12 feet of 12" pipe, and 2 manholes; said sum to be raised by transfer from the Surplus Revenue Account. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 15. On motion of Joseph Spas, as amended by Roland Fontaine and duly seconded, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,416. for the purchase and installation of drain pipes and appurtenances in connection with a drainage system to be constructed on the westerly side of Pulaski Boulevard in that certain area bounded by Westminster Avenue; the said system to include 774 feet of 24" pipe, 236 feet of 18" pipe, 545 feet of 12" pipe, 9 manholes, 10 catchbasins; and the said appropriation to include gravel and sand for filling and asphalt and tar patch for resurfacing street; said sum to be raised by transfer from the Surplus Revenue Account. (Not recommended by Finance Committee)

On motion of Richard Sooley, duly seconded, it was voted to take from the table that section of Article 22 referring to James Street and Rondeau Road.

ARTICLE 22. On motion of Douglas Auld, as amended by Roland Fontaine and duly seconded, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$9,220. for James Street; said street to be 30 feet wide and 1,513 feet long; said sum to be used for the purpose of draining, improving and tarring said street; and, said sum of \$9,220. to be raised by transfer from Surplus Revenue. (Not recommended by Finance Committee)

On motion of Douglas Auld, as amended by Roland Fontaine and duly seconded, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$8,656.80 for Rondeau Road; said street to be 30 feet wide and 1,324 feet long; said sum to be used for the purpose of draining, improving and tarring said street; and, said sum of \$8,656.80 to be raised by transfer from Surplus Revenue. (Not recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 12. On motion of Alfred M. Cote, as amended by Leo A. Stearns and duly seconded, it was voted to instruct the Moderator to appoint a Committee of three to study the possibility of having the Town collect garbage and/or rubbish and make recommendation for same; said committee to report at the next Special Town Meeting. (Approved by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 13. On motion of Roland Fontaine, duly seconded, it was voted to refer this article to the Planning Board.

ARTICLE 16. On motion of Ernest Moulson as amended by Alfred M. Cote and duly seconded, it was voted to instruct the Selectmen to install street lights as follows: Chestnut Street, pole Nos. 4, 8, 12, and 17 Cranberry Meadow Road, pole Nos. 3 and 8. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 17. On motion of Wilrose Dalpe, duly seconded, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,700. for the construction of a combined supply room and garage for the Water Department; said building to be constructed on Town owned land located on Wrentham Road in the vicinity of No. 3 pumping station. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 18. On motion of Roland Beauregard, as amended by Alfred M. Cote and duly seconded, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,318. for the installation of water mains on Lakeshore Drive and Cranberry Meadow Road; \$2,000. for the installation of water mains of not less than 6 inches in diameter, beginning at the end of existing main on Lakeshore Drive and continuing in a southerly direction and connecting to the end of main on Cranberry Meadow Road, a distance of approximately 525 to 535 feet; said sum to include hydrants, valves and all necessary appurtenances; the remaining sum of \$318. to be expended by the Highway Department for the purpose of repairing said street after the Water Department has completed the installation of water mains; said sum of \$2,318. to be raised by transfer of \$1,519.70 from unexpended water appropriation accounts and \$798.30 by taxation. (Not recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 19. On motion of Arthur Ayotte, duly seconded, it was voted to pass over this article.

ARTICLE 20. On motion of Alfred M. Cote, duly seconded, it was voted to pass over this article.

ARTICLE 23. This motion to amend the by-laws did not carry.

ARTICLE 24. On motion of Douglas Carr, duly seconded, it was voted to hear the report of the School Building Committee appointed by the Moderator under Article 4 of the Special Town Meeting held November 14, 1955.

On motion of Leo A. Gosselin, as amended by H. Matasikand duly seconded, it was voted to accept the report of the School Building Committee and that said report become part of the Town Meeting records and be printed in the Annual Town Report.



## REPORT OF THE BELLINGHAM SCHOOL BUILDING COMMITTEE

Acting upon the authority voted at a special Town Meeting held on November 14, 1955, this Committee has carefully investigated the elementary school needs of the Town of Bellingham.

It is the unanimous opinion of this Committee that any school building program must be of a long range nature, if it is to be practical and economical.

Therefore, the following recommendations are made:

1. That the Town immediately take steps to build a 14 classroom elementary school with the necessary specialized rooms and facilities.
2. That such a school be located near the center of Bellingham on one of the three sites already examined and approved by the Massachusetts School Building Assistance Commission.
3. That a new building committee be appointed at this time to complete remaining preliminary work relative to the construction of a new elementary school.

An over-all survey of the Bellingham School shows the inadequacy of the present school buildings. The three wooden elementary schools are outmoded from the standpoint of size, location, and educational facilities. The size and capacity of these three buildings are as follows: figuring 30 pupils per classroom.

School	No. of rooms	Capacity	No. now attending
North	4	120	138
South	8	240	400
Center	4	120	127
	<hr/> 16	<hr/> 480	<hr/> 665

The South School is running on a two-platoon system with eight forenoon and four afternoon classes. One class from the South, an eighth grade, is housed in the High School building. Beginning next September the increased High School enrollment will prohibit the use of any of its rooms for elementary pupils.

Since 1947 there has been an increased enrollment each year. In 1946 there was a total enrollment of 534 pupils. In 1955 it had increased to 858. This is an increase of 324 pupils in a nine year period, or approximately 60%. Since 1950 there have been several new building developments in town and new homes are constantly being constructed. The population of the town has increased from 4,100 in 1950 to 5,421 in 1955, an increase of 1,321 in a five year period.

The State School Building Assistance Commission has predicted that the total enrollment in 1960 will be 1,157. This is the figure upon which this Committee determined that the immediate need is a new 14 classroom elementary school. Thirty elementary classrooms will be necessary by 1960. There are only 16 available at present.

The Committee recommends that the new elementary school be located near the center of town between Bellingham Center and Scott Hill Acres. By 1965 the high school enrollment will be 500 or more, and the junior-senior high school enrollment could well reach a total of 725. It is not the business of this committee to recommend anything further than the construction of a new elementary school. However, long range planning must be considered in the approach to our problem. Within the next year or two this committee feels that it will be absolutely necessary to provide for additional high school space. This could be done in only two ways, one by building a regional high school with some other town, or towns, or by Bellingham building its own high school, or its own junior-senior high school. Either one of these projects would leave the present high school building available for elementary classes. This is the reason why this committee recommends the construction of a new elementary school near the center of town.

With the submission of this final report, the committee feels that they have accomplished the work authorized and hereby desires to be dismissed.

MR. DOUGLAS CARR, Chairman

MR. JOSEPH F. SPAS

MR. ROLAND A. ROBIDOUX

MR. RICHARD HILL

REV. FREDERICK HOLMBERG

DR. JOSEPH FABBRICOTTI

MR. PERCY L. ROWE, Secretary

ARTICLE 25. On motion of Richard Hill, duly seconded, it was voted to authorize the Moderator to appoint a School Building Committee of seven members and that said School Building Committee be authorized to undertake the remaining preliminary work relative to the construction of additional elementary school accommodations in the Town of Bellingham and that the sum of \$485.10 be raised by transfer from the unexpended balance of the previous School Building Committee plus the raising and appropriating of an additional \$2,014.90; the sum total of \$2,500. to be used to defray any and all expenses incurred by said school Building Committee in connection with the aforesaid preliminary work, and that said committee report its progress to the town at the earliest possible time. (No Finance Committee recommendation)

ARTICLE 26. On motion of Richard Ambler, duly seconded, it was voted to pass over this article.

On motion of Leo A. Stearns, duly seconded, it was voted to adjourn the meeting at 10:45 P.M.

A true copy.

ATTEST:

Bellingham Town Clerk

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### APPOINTMENTS

The following are hereby appointed as the committee required under the amendment of Douglas Auld to Alfred M. Cote's motion on Item 43 of Article 1, Annual Warrant of 1956:

Douglas G. Auld, 89 Douglas Drive.

Frederick W. Holmstrom, 49 Potter Circle.

Nelson C. Smith, 42 South Center Street.

Appointed by Moderator Andor deJony.

The following are hereby appointed a committee under Article 5 of the 1956 Annual Warrant:

Frank Spayd, Jr., 20 Center Street

Edward Sawyer, Hartford Avenue

Alfred M. Cote, South Main Street

Edmond E. Gentes, 21 Autumn Street

Roland E. Fontaine 81 South Main Street

Appointed by Moderator Andor deJony.

The following are hereby appointed a committee under Article 12 of the 1956 Annual Warrant relative to rubbish etc., collection:

Wilfred Arcand, Wrentham Street

Bertrand Remillard, 121 Pine Grove Avenue

William A. Crouse, 101 South Main Street

Appointed by Moderator Andor deJony.

The following are hereby appointed to the committee relative to school facilities as required by the vote on Article 25, of the Annual Warrant of 1956:

Douglas H. Carr, 390 South Main Street

Clarence W. Malo, 400 South Main Street

David L. Tuttle, 150 South Main Street

Joseph C. Fabbricotti, Mendon Street

Percy L. Rowe, South Main Street

Frederick W. Holmstrom, Potter Circle

Fred Holmberg, Rev., Hartford Ave.

\*Richard C. Hill, High Street

\*Replaced Joseph C. Fabbricotti who resigned.

Appointed by Moderator Andor deJony.

A true copy.

ATTEST:

Bellingham Town Clerk.

# WARRANT FOR PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY

## THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Norfolk, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Bellingham,      Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town who are qualified to vote in Primaries to meet in the Town Hall in Precinct No. 1, the North Community House in Precinct No. 2, and the South Community Building in Precinct No. 3 on Tuesday the 24th day of April, 1956 at 4:00 p.m. for the following purposes:

To bring in their votes to the Primary Officers for the election of candidates of political parties for the following offices:

10 Delegates at large to the National Convention of the Republican Party.

10 Alt. Delegates at large to the National Convention of the Republican Party.

24 Delegates at large to the National Convention of the Democratic Party.

24 Alt. Delegates at large to the National Convention of the Democratic Party.

2 District Delegates to the National Convention of the Republican Party.

2 Alt. District Delegates to the National Convention of the Republican Party.

4 District Delegates to the National Convention of the Democratic Party.

2 Alt. District Delegates to the National Convention of the Democratic Party.

District Members of State Committee (one man and one woman) for each political party for the Middlesex-Norfolk Senatorial District.

35 Members of the Republican Town Committee.

35 Members of the Democratic Town Committee.

Presidential preference.

The polls will be open from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Hereof fail not and make return of this warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of said meeting.

Given under our hands this 9th day of April, A.D., 1956.

ZEPHIRIN J. REMILLARD  
WALTER P. LEWINSKI  
ALFRED M. COTE  
Selectmen of Bellingham

A true copy.  
ATTEST:

RAYMOND S. DALPE,  
Constable of Bellingham

A true copy.  
ATTEST:

Bellingham Town Clerk

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## PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARIES

April 24, 1956

### Democratic Party

Precincts	1	2	3	Totals
Delegates at Large (24)				
John F. Kennedy	9	15	38	62
Paul A. Dever	8	14	40	62
John W. McCormack	10	14	35	59
John B. Hynes	9	15	36	60
William H. Burke Jr.	9	13	36	58
Margaret M. O'Riordan	9	14	36	59
James M. Curley	10	14	37	61
Thomas J. Buckley	9	13	33	55
Edward J. Cronin	9	14	37	60
John E. Powers	10	13	37	60
Michael F. Skerry	9	13	36	58
Albert S. Previte Jr.	9	13	36	58
John A. Callahan	9	13	37	59
J. William Belanger	9	14	40	63
Daniel Rudsten	10	13	36	59
Ida R. Lyons	9	14	36	59

Garrett H. Byrne	9	14	37	60
Daniel B. Brunton	9	13	36	58
James D. O'Brien	9	14	36	59
John F. Kane	9	13	36	58
Howard W. Fitzpatrick	10	14	36	60
John S. Begley	9	13	36	58
James J. Corbett	10	14	37	61
Jackson J. Holtz	9	14	36	59
Blanks	19	56	324	399
Totals	240	284	1,200	1,824

#### Alternate Delegates at Large (24)

Joseph A. DeGuglielmo	9	14	37	60
J. Henry Goguen	9	13	36	58
Chester A. Dolan Jr.	10	14	36	60
Michael LoPresti	9	13	36	58
Peter J. Rzeknikiewicz	9	13	36	58
Francis E. Lavigne	10	13	38	61
Salvatore Camileo	9	13	36	58
Leonard J. Warner	10	13	36	59
Silas F. Taylor	9	14	36	59
Mary A. Tomasello	10	13	37	60
Hugh J. McLaughlin	9	14	36	59
Doris M. Racicot	9	13	36	58
Anna Sullivan	10	13	36	59
Mary DePasquale Murray	8	15	36	59
Charles N. Collatos	9	13	36	58
Anthony M. Scibelli	9	13	37	59
Matthew L. McGrath Jr.	9	14	36	59
Joseph Garczynski Jr.	9	13	36	58
Edward Krock	9	13	36	58
James R. Carter	9	13	37	59
Thomas J. Hannon	8	14	36	58
Harry L. Silva	9	13	36	58
Jean S. LeCompte	8	13	36	57
John F. Cahill	8	14	37	59
Blanks	23	63	329	415
Totals	240	384	1,200	1,824

#### (4) District Delegates (14th Cong. District)

Edward F. Doolan	5	5	25	35
Manuel J. Duarte	5	4	19	28
David D. Talbot	5	4	26	35
Paul V. McDonough	4	5	19	28
William P. Grant	1	1	3	5
Antone Perreira	1	1	3	5
Joseph P. Clark Jr.	1	1	3	5



Francis W. Harrington	0	1	3	4
Blanks	18	42	99	159
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Totals	40	64	200	304

**(2) Alternate Delegates (14th Cong. District)**

Matthew J. Kuss	3	4	18	25
Joseph E. Hanify	3	4	18	25
Edmund J. Brennan	0	2	4	6
Charles A. McCloskey	0	2	4	6
Blanks	14	20	56	90
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Totals	20	32	100	152

**State Committee (Man) Middlesex-Norfolk District**

Walter T. Burke	3	0	2	5
Donald M. Johnson	0	3	0	3
Francis C. McKenna	4	3	3	10
Daniel L. Murphy	2	7	44	53
Blanks	1	3	1	5
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Totals	10	16	50	76

**State Committee (Woman) Middlesex-Norfolk District**

Constance L. Acton	7	9	15	31
Blanks	3	7	35	45
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Totals	10	16	50	76

**Town Committee (35)**

Leo A. Gosselin	10	14	49	73
Alfred M. Cote	9	11	43	63
Walter P. Lewinski	10	12	46	68
Bertrand Remillard	9	11	48	68
Wilfred E. Arcand	10	10	48	68
Roland A. Robidoux	9	10	48	67
John J. Clancy	10	14	46	70
Joseph F. Spas	9	11	46	66
Sylvio Dalpe	9	10	47	66
Francis G. Locklin	10	10	46	66
Rodolphe Beauregard	9	10	45	64
Timothy A. Riordan	9	15	45	69
Edwin F. Tuttle	10	10	46	66
John J. Callahan	9	13	46	68
Donat Laplante	10	11	45	66
Albert Houle	10	10	46	66
John Froment	9	10	46	65
Lawrence F. Guay	9	10	45	64

Roger Rue	9	10	47	66
Ovila Majeau	9	10	46	65
Alfred E. Staves	9	10	47	66
Michael J. Smith	10	14	45	69
Thomas A. Mahon	9	13	46	68
James Yates	9	10	45	64
Wilrose A. Dalpe	9	10	48	67
Arthur Ayotte	9	10	47	66
Bernard F. Joanis	9	13	45	67
Eugene E. Lemire	9	10	46	65
Adrien Trudel	9	10	46	65
Edmond T. Cote	9	10	46	65
Gabriel Bernier	9	11	46	66
Raymond Berard	9	10	45	64
Carlton Gaskill	10	11	46	67
Arthur Levesque	9	10	46	65
Robert Hyland	0	0	1	1
Blanks	34	186	181	401
Totals	350	560	1,750	2,660

#### Presidential Preference

Stevenson	2	5	22	29
Kefauver	3	1	3	7
McCormack	2	2	6	10
Eisenhower	1	0	0	1
Blanks	2	8	19	29
Totals	10	16	50	76

#### REPUBLICAN PARTY

##### Delegates at Large (10)

Christian A. Herter	13	7	20	40
Leverett Saltonstall	13	5	21	39
Joseph W. Martin Jr.	13	6	21	40
Henry Cabot Lodge Jr.	12	5	20	37
Sinclair Weeks	12	5	19	36
Elmer C. Nelson	13	6	19	38
Ralph H. Bonnell	11	5	18	34
Esther W. Wheeler	11	6	17	34
Robert F. Bradford	11	5	18	34
Thomas Pappas	11	5	18	34
Blanks	10	25	69	104
Totals	130	80	260	470

**Alternate Delegates at Large (10)**

Basil Brewer	11	5	18	34
Bruce Crane	10	7	19	36
Katherine G. Howard	10	5	20	35
Charles J. Innes	11	5	20	36
Daniel J. Lynch	11	6	19	36
Maxwell M. Rabb	11	5	20	36
Richard F. Treadway	10	7	20	37
John A. Volpe	11	5	19	35
William W. White	10	5	20	35
Sumner G. Whittier	12	6	18	36
Blanks	23	24	67	114
Totals	130	80	260	470

**(2) District Delegates (14th Cong. District)**

George L. Sargent	5	4	6	15
Edward H. Bowen	2	2	6	10
Gerald E. Riley	2	2	4	8
Florence G. Claussen	0	1	4	5
Blanks	17	7	32	56
Totals	26	16	52	94

**(2) Alternate Delegates (14th Cong. District)**

Richard Saltonstall	5	3	7	15
John S. Ames, Jr.	2	1	6	9
Harold T. Darling	2	3	3	8
Ernest C. Ladeira	0	0	3	3
Blanks	17	9	33	59
Totals	26	16	52	94

**State Committee (Man) Middlesex-Norfolk District**

Addison C. Armstrong	9	7	19	35
Blanks	4	1	7	12
Totals	13	8	26	47

**State Committee (Woman) Middlesex-Norfolk District**

Ann C. Gannett	9	7	16	32
Blanks	4	1	10	15
Totals	13	8	26	47

**Town Committee (35)**

Donald A. Varney	13	6	21	40
Oscar L. Robillard	12	7	20	39
Richard W. Ambler	11	6	19	36
Mary J. Caccavelli	10	5	19	34
Letitia G. Knott	13	6	19	38

Alfred Pouliot	13	5	20	38
Warren E. Whiting	13	6	21	40
Dolores Martel	13	6	20	39
Norbert Martel	12	6	22	40
Walter D. Richard	12	5	21	38
Joseph E. Allain	10	5	19	34
Christine Taylor	13	6	18	37
Arthur W. Curtis	13	6	19	38
Robert H. Hunter	13	6	19	38
Theodore F. Roman	11	5	18	34
Mary D. Roman	11	5	19	35
Zephirin J. Remillard	12	6	20	38
Windsor D. Bates	13	5	19	37
David L. Tuttle	12	6	20	38
Waldo I. Cook Jr.	11	5	23	39
Elizabeth J. Robillard	12	6	19	37
Zella M. Chase	13	7	19	39
Arthur J. Trottier	13	5	21	39
Anatole Debigare	10	5	18	33
John Hoothay	12	5	21	38
Janet D. Roach	12	6	18	36
Dominic G. DiPietro	13	5	19	37
Andor deJony	13	5	19	37
Wilfred Boiteau	11	5	20	36
Michael Purich	12	5	20	37
Marshall F. Cowen	11	7	19	37
Chester A. Gaskill	12	5	19	36
Kelton O. Potter	10	5	18	33
John E. Tuttle Sr.	10	6	20	36
Alfred C. DeTore	11	5	21	37
Blanks	39	85	223	347
Totals	455	280	910	1,645

#### Presidential Preference

Eisenhower	8	4	10	22
Lausche	0	0	1	1
Blanks	5	4	15	24
Totals	13	8	26	47

Total Democratic vote:	Precinct No. 1	10
	Precinct No. 2	16
	Precinct No. 3	50
	TOTAL	76

Total Republican vote:	Precinct No. 1	13
	Precinct No. 2	8
	Precinct No. 3	26
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	TOTAL	47

A true copy.

ATTEST:

Bellingham Town Clerk

## WARRANT FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

June 25, 1956

Norfolk, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Bellingham,      Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town, qualified to vote in elections and in Town affairs, to meet at the Bellingham Town Hall in said Bellingham on Monday, June 25, 1956 at 8:00 P.M., then and there to act on the following articles:

ARTICLE 1. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the Highway Machinery Account; said sum to be raised by transfer from the Machinery Revenue Account; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to purchase a billing machine for the Water Bill Collector; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 3. To hear the report and recommendations of the Planning Board with reference to the acceptance as town highways of the following streets: Bliss Road, Newland Avenue, Liberty Street and Robert Street; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will accept as public highways the following streets: Bliss Road, Newland Avenue, Liberty Street and Robert Street; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for group insurance for the Town employees as provided by Chapter 32-B of the General Laws; said sum to be raised by transfer from the Surplus Revenue Account; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 6. To hear the report and recommendations of the Committee appointed by the Moderator to study the matter of garbage and rubbish removal by the Town and to take action on said report; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for garbage and rubbish removal; said sum to be raised by transfer from the Surplus Revenue Account; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 8. To hear the report and recommendations of the Committee appointed by the Moderator to study the matter of installation of a two-way radio system for Civilian Defense and to take action thereon; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purchase and installation of a two-way radio system for Civilian Defense; said sum to be raised by transfer from Surplus Revenue; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,311.86 for unpaid bills of the year 1953 of the Water Department; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant, by posting up attested copies thereof in at least one public place in each precinct in said Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of meeting, as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this 11th day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fifty-six.

ZEPHIRIN J. REMILLARD  
WALTER P. LEWINSKI  
ALFRED M. COTE

Selectmen of Bellingham

A true copy.

ATTEST:

HAROLD E. COOK,  
Constable of Bellingham

A true copy.

ATTEST:

Bellingham Town Clerk



**RETURN OF THE WARRANT**

Norfolk, ss.

Pursuant to the foregoing Warrant, I have notified and warned the inhabitants of the Town of Bellingham qualified by law to vote in elections, primaries, and Town affairs, by posting up attested copies of the same in at least one public place in each precinct according to the Town By-laws, seven days at least before the date thereof, as within directed.

HAROLD E. COOK,  
Constable of Bellingham

A true copy.

ATTEST:

Bellingham Town Clerk

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**SPECIAL TOWN MEETING**

**June 25, 1956**

In accordance with the foregoing Warrant given under the hands of the Selectmen on June 11, 1956, the inhabitants of Bellingham qualified by law to vote in elections, primaries, and town affairs, met at the Town Hall in Bellingham on Monday, June 25, 1956 at 8:00 P.M. and proceeded to act on the articles of the Warrant as follows:

The meeting was called to order at 8:20 p.m. by Moderator Andor deJony and recessed for ten minutes because the quorum of 100 voters was not established.

The meeting was again called to order at 8:35 p.m. by Moderator deJony, followed by the reading of the Warrant by Town Clerk, Lionel R. Trudeau. There being more than 100 voters present, the quorum required by the By-laws was established.

ARTICLE 1. On motion of Wilfred Arcand, duly seconded, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,320. for the Machinery Account; said sum to be raised by transfer of \$1,320. from the Machinery Revenue Account. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 2. This motion\* did not carry. (\*\$1,200. for Billing Machine). (Not recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 3. On motion of Joseph I. Taylor, duly seconded, it was voted to pass over this article.

ARTICLE 4. a) On motion of Raymond Lemire, duly seconded, it was voted to accept Bliss Road as a public way; said street being forty feet wide and running northwesterly from Mann Street for a distance of six hundred feet; said street being as laid out and designated on a plan of land entitled "Social Annex", a plan recorded with the Norfolk Registry of Deeds.

b) On motion of Leo Samson, duly seconded, it was voted to accept as a public way that certain street laid out and designated as Newland Avenue on a plan of land known as "Green Acres, Section B", said plan recorded with the Norfolk Registry of Deeds, Plan Book 178, Plan 859 (1953); and to accept the deed of said street as laid out on said plan; said street being forty feet wide and extending northwesterly from Center Street for a distance of 416 feet.

c) On motion of Marcel Brisson, duly seconded, it was voted to accept Liberty Street as a public way; said street as laid out on a plan of land numbered 15043 G and filed with certificate of title No. 53892, Norfolk Registry District of the Land Court; and to accept the deed of said street as laid out on said plan; said Liberty Street being forty feet wide and extending 590 feet northwesterly from Pulaski Blvd.

Under this same article, a motion by Marcel Brisson to accept Robert Street did not carry. (No recommendation by Finance Committee on above article)

ARTICLE 5. On motion of Alfred M. Cote, duly seconded, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000.00 to provide group life insurance, group accidental death and dismemberment insurance, group hospital, surgical and medical insurance for town employees, in accordance with Chapter 32B of the General Laws accepted by the town at the 1956 Annual Town Election; said sum to be raised by transfer of \$2,000.00 from the Surplus Revenue Account. (Finance Committee recommended \$3,160.00)

ARTICLE 6. On motion of Alfred M. Cote, duly seconded, it was voted to accept the report of the "Garbage and Rubbish Removal" committee as read by Bertrand Remillard. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 7. On motion of William Crouse, duly seconded, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 for the weekly collection of garbage throughout the town for the remainder of 1956; and that the Board of Selectmen, acting as the Board of Health, be instructed to advertise for sealed bids to carry out this project, said bids to be advertised in the Milford Daily News and the Woonsocket Call, as well as publications required by the Town By-laws, said bids to be publicly opened and read at a time to be determined by the Board of Selectmen, acting as the Board of Health; and the

Board of Selectmen, acting as the Board of Health, be instructed to award the contract for garbage collection to the lowest responsible bidder; and that the said Board be instructed to require a performance bond from such successful bidder as said Board deems necessary; and, further, that said Board be authorized to reject any and all bids; said sum of \$1,000.00 to be raised by transfer from the Surplus Revenue Account. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 8. On motion of William Crouse, duly seconded, it was voted to accept the report of the Radis Committee as read by Edmond E. Gentes. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 9. On motion of Francis G. Locklin, duly seconded, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,000.00 for Civilian Defense for the purchase and establishment of a two-way radio system; said sum to be expended in conjunction with the sum of \$3,000.00 to be contributed by the Federal Civil Defense Agency; said radio system to be purchased and installed in accordance with the \*report and specifications submitted by the radio investigation committee appointed by the Moderator; and said sum of \$3,000.00 to be raised by transfer from the Surplus Revenue Account. (Not recommended by Finance Committee)

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\*Report filed with Town Clerk

ARTICLE 10. This motion did not carry.

On motion of James Wrenn, duly seconded, it was voted to dissolve the Warrant at 10:30 P.M.

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ATTEST:

Bellingham Town Clerk

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### AUCTIONEER'S LICENSE

Granted to Lucien Gagne, Pulaski Blvd., Bellingham, Massachusetts and dated August 6, 1956.

Recorded August 30, 1956.

ATTEST:

Bellingham Town Clerk

**JURY LIST****July 1, 1956 to June 30, 1957**

Name	Occupation	Street Address
Allen, Timothy F.	Finisher	Hartford Ave.
Allard, Edgar C.	Foreman	50 Pulaski Blvd.
Baldiga, Stanley	Overseer	Cutler St.
Bardell, Fred	Stereotyper	650 Pulaski Blvd.
Beaudoin, Lionel	Truckdriver	721 Pulaski Blvd.
Beauregard, Ernest	Mulespinner	25 Muron Ave.
Belliveau, Roland	Electrician	Easy Street
Brady, Richard	Shipper	Douglas Drive
Brite, William	Draftsman	No. Center St.
Burgess, Willia	Restaurant Owner	So. Main St.
Campanelli, Serino	Foreman	84 Muron Ave.
Carr, Douglas H.	Plant Engineer	390 So. Main St.
Carrier, Alphonse	Oil Dealer	120 Pulaski Blvd.
Capparella, Remo A.	Card Runner	41 Trenton St.
Chaplin, Herbert	Foundry Worker	Lakeview Ave.
Chilson, Lloyd	Spinner	Plain St.
Connolly, Robert C.	Finishing Tender	41 Lowland St.
Corrieri, Rinaldo R.	Baker	60 Prospect St.
Cote, Romuald A.	Railroad Fireman	Douglas Drive
Daley, Robert	Machinist	Hartford Ave.
Danko, Joseph A.	Machinist	470 Pulaski Blvd.
Desmarais, Leo	Body Worker	So. Main St.
Desrosiers, Bernard J.	Milk Salesman	171 Wrentham St.
Dubois, Ernest J.	Carpenter	Center St.
Dulude, Ulysses	Store Owner	110 So. Main St.
Duprex, Edward J.	Loom Fixer	50 Pleasant St.
Fabbricotti, Joseph	Veterinarian	Mendon St.
Fleurette, Raymond	Farmer	Locust St.
Flynn, Harry H.	Stitcher	Lake St.
Ferris, Gordon	Presser	Lake St.
Frechette, Albert	Loom Fixer	460 Wrentham St.

Gamache, Roger G., Sr.	Truckdriver	Easy St.
Gariepy, Aram I.	Retired	10 Elm St.
Godin, Antonio A.	Carpenter	151 Wrentham St.
Goryl, Paul	Rt. Foreman	Chamberlain Rd.
Desmarais, Moise	Linoleum Layer	Cross St.
Hartshorn, Kenneth	Plumber	Hartford Ave.
Houde, Gilbert	Salesman	55 Irving St.
Knott, Letitia	Housewife	So. Main St.
Kramarz, Joseph	Auto Assembler	179 Douglas Dr.
Larose, Eugene	Machinist	Mann St.
Lemon, Henry J.	Yard Conductor	Chamberlain Rd.
Levitte, Leo	Insurance Agent	11 Wrentham St.
Lafrance, Eugene S.	Rubber Worker	Chestnut St.
McCracken, John	Casting Inspector	Hartford Ave.
Mills, Leo	Metal Worker	Box Pond
Pantano, Charles J.	Painter	70 Elbow St.
Pleau, Harvey E.	Painter	13 Easy St.
Picard, Theresa	Housewife	241 Wrentham St.
Plouffe, Roger L.	Machinist	21 Archer St.
Robillard, Oscar	Lab. Tech.	Hartford Ave.
Rondeau, Arthur	Guard	So. Main St.
Sawyer, Edward	TV Technician	Hartford Ave.
Sorel, Robert C.	Dry Cleaning	30 Oak Terrace
Taylor, Christine	Housekeeper	Depot St.
Turcotte, Philian	Card Stripper	Pulaski Blvd.
Tuttle, Robert D.	Bank Clerk	150 So. Main St.
Wilson, William J.	Shoe Worker	Mechanic St.
Wrenn, Sarah J.	Floor Lady	31 So. Main St.
Zito, Joseph V.	Cabinet Maker	60 Brisson St.

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ATTEST:



# **WARRANT FOR STATE PRIMARY**

## **THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**

Norfolk, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Bellingham,      Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town who are qualified to vote in Primaries to meet in the polling places of their respective Precincts, to wit: Town Hall in Precinct No. 1, North Community House in Precinct No. 2, and the South Community Building in Precinct No. 3 on Tuesday, the 18th day of September, 1956 at 12:00 noon, for the following purposes:

Governor—for this Commonwealth

Lieutenant Governor—for this commonwealth

Secretary of the Commonwealth—for this Commonwealth

Treasurer and Receiver-General—for this Commonwealth

Auditor of the Commonwealth—for this Commonwealth

Attorney General—for this Commonwealth

Representative in Congress—14th Congressional District

Councillor—3rd Councillor District

Senator—Middlesex-Norfolk Senatorial District

One Representative in General Court—8th Representative District

Two County Commissioners—for Norfolk County

Sheriff—for Norfolk County

The polls will be open from 12:00 noon to 8:00 p.m.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of said meeting.

Given under our hands this 10th day of September, A.D. 1956.

ZEPHIRIN J. REMILLARD

WALTER P. LEWINSKI

ALFRED M. COTE

Selectmen of Bellingham

A true copy.

ATTEST:

RAYMOND S. DALPE,

Constable of Bellingham

Bellingham Town Clerk



**RETURN ON THE WARRANT**

Norfolk, ss.

Pursuant to the within warrant, I have notified and warned the inhabitants of Bellingham qualified by law to vote in primaries by posting up attested copies of the same in at least one public place in each precinct as required by the Town By-laws, seven days at least before the date hereof, as within directed.

ATTEST:

RAYMOND S. DALPE,  
Constable of Bellingham

A true copy.

ATTEST:

**STATE PRIMARIES**

September 18, 1956

**DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY**

Precincts	1	2	3	Totals
<b>Governor</b>				
Foster Furcolo	60	24	442	526
Thomas H. Buckley	9	3	37	49
Blanks	12	1	47	60
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Totals	81	28	526	635

**Lieutenant Governor**

Robert F. Murphy	61	19	459	539
James A. Burke	1	3	17	21
George A. Wells	11	4	22	37
Blanks	8	2	28	38
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Totals	81	28	526	635

**Secretary**

Edward J. Cronin	64	25	469	558
Robert Emmet Dinsmore	8	0	21	29
Blanks	9	3	36	48
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Totals	81	28	526	635

**Treasurer**

Clement A. Riley	49	9	386	444
John F. Kennedy	12	12	58	82
John F. Buckley	3	1	13	17
Henry Joseph Hurley	1	2	4	7
John M. Kennedy	5	1	25	31
Blanks	11	3	40	54
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Totals	81	28	526	635

**Auditor**

Thomas J. Buckley	73	25	473	571
Blanks	8	3	53	64
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Totals	81	28	526	635

**Attorney General**

Joseph D. Ward	59	10	438	507
Edward J. McCormack, Jr.	14	14	48	76
Blanks	8	4	40	52
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Totals	81	28	526	635

**Congressman**

Edward F. Doolan	72	24	470	566
Blanks	9	4	56	69
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Totals	81	28	526	635

**Councillor**

Peter James Coulouras	13	3	58	74
Frederick M. Donovan	56	18	390	464
Anthony Russo	5	0	25	30
Blanks	7	7	53	67
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Totals	81	28	526	635

**Senator**

Alfred M. Cote	70	23	504	597
John T. Dias	7	3	13	23
Blanks	4	2	9	15
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Totals	81	28	526	635

**Representative**

Edward J. Delaney	8	7	18	33
Bertrand Remillard	70	19	498	587
Blanks	3	2	10	15
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Totals	81	28	526	635

**County Commissioner**

John J. McKenna	56	16	354	426
Howard Haines Murphy	63	16	351	430
Blanks	43	24	347	414
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Totals	162	56	1,052	1,270

**Sheriff**

Peter M. McCormack	67	23	422	512
Blanks	14	5	104	123
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Totals	81	28	526	635

**REPUBLICAN PRIMARY**

Precincts	1	2	3	Totals
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**Governor**

Sumner G. Whittier	43	14	32	89
Blanks	1	1	2	4
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Totals	44	15	34	93

**Lieutenant Governor**

Charles Gibbons	44	14	31	89
Blanks	0	1	3	4
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Totals	44	15	34	93

**Secretary**

Richard I. Furbush	42	14	31	87
Blanks	2	1	3	6
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Totals	44	15	34	93
Robert H. Beaudreau	43	14	33	90

**Treasurer**

Blanks	1	1	1	3
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Totals	44	15	34	93

**Auditor**

Joseph A. Nobile	43	14	31	88
Blanks	1	1	3	5
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Totals	44	15	34	93

**Attorney General**

George Fingold	42	14	31	87
Blanks	2	1	3	6
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Totals	44	15	34	93

**Congressman**

Joseph W. Martin, Jr.	43	14	34	91
Blanks	1	1	0	2
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Totals	44	15	34	93

**Councillor**

Christian A. Herter, Jr.	35	10	26	71
Harris A. Reynolds	7	5	7	19
Blanks	2	0	1	3
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Totals	44	15	34	93

**Senator**

Charles W. Olson	44	14	32	90
Blanks	0	1	2	3
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Totals	44	15	34	93

**Representative**

William F. Nourse	43	14	33	90
Blanks	1	1	1	3
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Totals	44	15	34	93

**County Commissioner**

Russell T. Bates	39	13	31	83
Clayton W. Nash	37	11	28	76
Blanks	12	6	9	27
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Totals	88	30	68	186

**Sheriff**

Samuel H. Wragg	31	10	25	66
John H. Brownell	10	5	7	22
Blanks	3	0	2	5
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Totals	44	15	34	93

A true copy.

ATTEST:

Bellingham Town Clerk

# **WARRANT FOR STATE ELECTION**

**November 6, 1956**

## **COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**

Norfolk, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Bellingham,                      Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town who are qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs to meet in the Town Hall in Precinct No. 1, in the North Community House in Precinct No. 2, and in the South Community Building in Precinct No. 3, on Tuesday, November 6, 1956, at 10:00 o'clock a.m. to bring in their votes for the following National, State and County Officers:

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### **Presidential Electors**

Governor—For this Commonwealth

Lieutenant Governor—For this Commonwealth

Secretary—For this Commonwealth

Treasurer—For this Commonwealth

Auditor—For this Commonwealth

Attorney General—For this Commonwealth

Rep. in Congress—14th Con. District

Councillor—3rd Councillor District

Senator—Middlesex-Norfolk District

Representative in Gen. Court—8th Rep. District

County Commissioners (2)—For Norfolk County

Sheriff—For Norfolk County

and to vote on the following question:

### **Question No. 1**

- a) Shall licenses be granted in this town for the sale therein of all alcoholic beverages (whiskey, rum, gin, malt beverages, wines and all other alcoholic beverages)?
- b) Shall licenses be granted in this town for the sale therein of all wines and malt beverages (wines and beer, ale and all other malt beverages)?

- c) Shall licenses be granted in this town for the sale therein of of all alcoholic beverages in packages, so called, not to be drunk on the premises?

The polls will be open from 10:00 o'clock A.M. to 8:00 o'clock P.M.

And you are hereby directed to serve this warrant by posting up attested copies thereof seven days at least before the time of said meeting as directed by the Town By-laws.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk of said Town at or before the time of said meeting.

Given under our hands at Bellingham this 22nd day of October A.D. 1956.

ZEPHIRIN J. REMILLARD

WALTER P. LEWINSKI

ALFRED M. COTE

Selectmen of Bellingham

A true copy.

ATTEST:

HAROLD E. COOK, SR.

Constable

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### RETURN ON THE WARRANT

Norfolk, ss.

Pursuant to and in accordance with the foregoing warrant, I have notified and warned the inhabitants of Bellingham qualified by law to vote in elections and town affairs by posting up attested copies of the same in at least one public place in each precinct as required by the Town By-laws, seven days at least before the date thereof.

ATTEST:

HAROLD E. COOK, SR.

Constable

A true copy.

ATTEST:

Bellingham Town Clerk



## STATE ELECTION

November 6, 1956

Precincts	1	2	3	Totals
<b>Presidential Electors</b>				
Eisenhower and Nixon	514	177	803	1,494
Haas and Cozzini	1	0	0	1
Holtwick and Cooper	1	0	0	1
Stevenson and Kefauver	336	182	683	1,201
Blanks	20	9	39	68
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Totals	872	368	1,525	2,765
<b>Governor</b>				
Foster Furcolo	465	222	976	1,663
Sumner G. Whittier	388	137	510	1,035
Henning A. Blomen	3	0	3	6
Mark R. Shaw	1	0	3	4
Blanks	15	9	33	57
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Totals	872	368	1,525	2,765
<b>Lieutenant Governor</b>				
Charles Gibbons	396	137	506	1,039
Robert F. Murphy	450	222	971	1,643
Harold E. Bassett	1	2	7	10
Francis A. Votano	3	0	1	4
Blanks	22	7	40	69
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Totals	872	368	1,525	2,765
<b>Secretary</b>				
Edward J. Cronin	475	222	980	1,677
Richard I. Furbush	373	135	488	996
Earl F. Dodge	4	2	8	14
Lawrence Gilfedder	1	1	3	5
Blanks	19	8	46	73
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Totals	872	368	1,525	2,765
<b>Treasurer</b>				
John F. Kennedy	487	230	987	1,704
Robert H. Beaudreau	355	121	503	979
Isaac Goddard	6	1	4	11
Willy N. Hogseth	1	2	0	3
Blanks	23	14	31	68
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Totals	872	368	1,525	2,765

**Auditor**

Thomas J. Buckley	490	226	996	1,712
Joseph A. Nobile	350	127	454	931
John B. Lauder	1	2	4	7
Anthony Martin	6	0	17	23
Blanks	25	13	54	92
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Totals	872	368	1,525	2,765

**Attorney General**

George Fingold	408	147	546	1,101
Edward J. McCormack	434	210	918	1,562
Fred M. Ingersoll	2	1	2	5
Howard B. Rand	1	1	4	6
Blanks	27	9	55	91
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Totals	872	368	1,525	2,765

**Congressman**

Joseph W. Martin, Jr.	479	177	699	1,355
Edward F. Doolan	371	182	797	1,350
Blanks	22	9	29	60
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Totals	872	368	1,525	2,765

**Councillor**

Frederick M. Donovan	435	210	925	1,570
Christian A. Herter, Jr.	411	147	564	1,122
Blanks	26	11	36	73
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Totals	872	368	1,525	2,765

**Senator**

Charles W. Olson	426	149	567	1,142
John T. Dias	423	208	907	1,538
Blanks	23	11	51	85
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Totals	872	368	1,525	2,765

**Representative**

William F. Nourse	378	144	369	891
Bertrand Remillard	469	219	1,137	1,825
Blanks	25	5	19	49
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Totals	872	368	1,525	2,765

**County Commissioners**

Russell T. Bates	403	143	534	1,080
Clayton W. Nash	365	129	442	936
John J. McKenna	406	200	893	1,499
Howard H. Murphy	414	205	873	1,492
Blanks	156	59	308	523
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Totals	1,744	736	3,050	5,530

**Sheriff**

Samuel H. Wragg	423	147	530	1,100
Peter M. McCormack	412	203	922	1,537
Blanks	37	18	73	128
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Totals	872	368	1,525	2,765

**Question**

A) Yes	592	235	975	1,802
No	149	67	193	409
Blanks	131	66	357	554
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Totals	872	368	1,525	2,765
B) Yes	579	229	915	1,723
No	124	41	160	325
Blanks	169	98	450	717
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Totals	872	368	1,525	2,765
C) Yes	591	240	921	1,752
No	123	47	173	343
Blanks	158	81	431	670
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Totals	872	368	1,525	2,765

Total vote cast:

Precinct No. 1	872
Precinct No. 2	368
Precinct No. 3	1,525
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Total	2,765

A true copy.

ATTEST:

Bellingham Town Clerk

**WARRANT FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING****November 13, 1956****THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**

Norfolk, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Bellingham,       Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town, qualified to vote in elections and in Town affairs, to meet at the Bellingham Town Hall in said Bellingham on Tuesday, November 13, 1956 at 8:00 P.M., then and there to act on the following articles:

ARTICLE 1. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the Highway Machinery Account; said sum to be raised by transfer from the Machinery Revenue Account; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for Board of Health; said sum to be raised by transfer from available funds; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for Old Age Assistance; said sum to be raised by transfer from available funds; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for Disability Assistance; said sum to be raised by transfer from available funds; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Moderator to appoint a School Planning Committee, each precinct of the town to be represented equally on said committee; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to remove from the control of the Board of Selectmen the parcel of land herein described; said parcel, containing about twelve acres, to be designated as the site for the proposed elementary school building and to be placed in the charge of the School Building Committee for a period of two years and thereafter to be under the control and charge of the school committee; said parcel being described as follows: Beginning on the northerly line of Harpin Street at the northwesterly corner of land

of Euclide Fleurette et ux.; thence running on said Harpin Street northwesterly four hundred feet; thence perpendicular to said Harpin Street and running N. 4-12'-15" E. for a distance of seven hundred fifty feet; thence S. 85-47'-45" E. for a distance of about nine hundred ninety feet to the stone wall at land of Brisson; thence in a general southwesterly direction, bounded by parcels of land now or formerly of Brisson, Mercure, Bardell, Grenon and Fleurette, to the point of beginning at Harpin Street; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant, by posting up attested copies thereof in at least one public place in each precinct of said Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of meeting, as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this 26th day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fifty-six.

ZEPHIRIN J. REMILLARD

WALTER P. LEWINSKI

ALFRED M. COTE

Selectment of Bellingham

A true copy. Attest:

HAROLD E. COOK SR.

Constable

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### RETURN ON THE WARRANT

Norfolk, ss.

Pursuant to the within Warrant, I have notified and warned the inhabitants of the Town of Bellingham qualified by law to vote in elections and in Town affairs by posting up attested copies of the same in at least one public place in each precinct, seven days before the date hereof, as within directed.

HAROLD E. COOK, SR.

Constable

A true copy. Attest:

Bellingham Town Clerk

**SPECIAL TOWN MEETING****November 13, 1956**

In accordance with the foregoing Warrant given under the hands of the Selectmen on October 26, 1956, the inhabitants of Bellingham qualified by law to vote in elections, and town affairs, met in the Town Hall in Bellingham on Tuesday, November 13, 1956 at 8:00 p. m. and proceeded to act on the articles of the Warrant as follows:

The meeting was called to order at 8:05 p. m. by Moderator Andor deJony, followed by the reading of the Warrant by Town Clerk, Lionel R. Trudeau. There being more than 100 voters present, the quorum required by the By-Laws was established.

ARTICLE 1. On motion of Zephirin J. Remillard, duly seconded, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,526.40 for the Machinery Account; said sum to be raised by transfer of \$3,526.40 from the Machinery Revenue Account. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 2. On motion of Walter P. Lewinski, duly seconded, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 for the Board of Health; said sum of \$1,000.00 to be raised by transfer from Surplus Revenue. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 3. On motion of Leo A. Stearns, duly seconded, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,500.00 for Old Age Assistance; said sum of \$1,500.00 to be raised by transfer from Surplus Revenue. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 4. On motion of Leo A. Stearns, duly seconded, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$400.00 for Disability Assistance; said sum of \$400.00 to be raised by transfer from Aid to Dependent Children Account. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 5. On motion of David L. Tuttle, duly seconded, it was voted to pass over this article. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 6. On motion of David L. Tuttle, duly seconded, it was voted to remove from the control of the Board of Selectmen the parcel of land herein described; said parcel, containing about twelve acres, to be designated as the site for the proposed elementary school building, and to be placed in the charge of the school building committee for a period of two years and thereafter be under the control and charge of the school committee, said parcel being described as follows: beginning on the northerly line of Harpin Street at the northwesterly corner of land of Euclide Fleurette et ux.; thence running on said Harpin Street northwesterly four hundred feet; thence perpendicular to said Harpin Street and running north 4 degrees 12 minutes 15 seconds east for a distance of 750 feet; thence south 85 degrees 47 minutes 45 seconds for a distance of about 990 feet to the stone wall



at land of Brisson; thence in a general southwesterly direction, bounded by parcels of land now or formerly of Brisson, Mercure, Bardell, Grenon, and Fleurette, to the point of beginning at Harpin Street. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

On motion of Walter P. Lewinski, duly seconded, it was voted to dissolve the Warrant at 8:25 p. m.

A true copy. Attest:

Bellingham Town Clerk

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## WARRANT FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

November 30, 1956

### COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Norfolk, ss.

Greetings:

To either of the Constables of the Town of Bellingham:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town of Bellingham, qualified by law to vote in elections and town affairs, to meet at the Bellingham High School in said Bellingham on Friday, November 30, 1956, at 8:00 P. M., then and there to act on the following articles:

ARTICLE 1. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for Snow Removal; said sum to be raised by transfer from available funds; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the Fire Department; said sum to be raised by transfer from available funds; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to hear the report of the School Building Committee appointed by the Moderator under authority of the vote of the Town under Article 25 of the Annual Town Meeting held in March of 1956; or act thereon; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 4. To see whether the Town will (1) authorize the construction, original equipping and furnishing of an elementary school in the Town; (2) appropriate therefor a sum of money not to exceed four hundred fifty-two thousand dollars; (3) determine how any such appropriation shall be raised, whether by appropriation from available funds, by borrowing or otherwise, and if by borrowing, to authorize the issuance and sale of bonds or notes; and (4) take any other action incidental to or connected with any of the foregoing matters.

**ARTICLE 5.** To see if the Town will vote to establish a School Planning Committee of nine members to study and investigate the future school needs of Bellingham; said committee to consist of the superintendent of schools, the Chairman of the school committee, and seven persons to be appointed by the Moderator, with each voting precinct to be equally represented on said committee; and to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the expense of said committee; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

**ARTICLE 6.** To see if the Town will vote to create a stabilization fund in accordance with Section 5B of Chapter 40 of the General Laws, and to appropriate an initial sum of money for said stabilization fund; said sum to be raised in the tax levy for the year 1957; or act or do anything in relation thereto.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof in at least one public place in each precinct of said Town seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting, in accordance with the town by-laws.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk at the time and place of said meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this nineteenth day of November, 1956 A.D.

ZEPHIRIN J. REMILLARD  
WALTER P. LEWINSKI  
ALFRED M. COTE

Selectmen of Bellingham

A true copy. Attest:

HAROLD E. COOK  
Constable of Bellingham

#### **RETURN ON THE WARRANT**

Norfolk, ss.

Pursuant to the foregoing Warrant, I have this 20th day of November, 1956, posted copies of this Warrant, in accordance with the Town By-Laws, in at least one public place in each precinct of the Town as follows:

Precinct 1. One copy in each of the following places: Bellingham Town Hall, Bellingham Post Office, Rudy's Town Market.

Precinct 2. One copy in each of the following places: Caryville Post Office, North Bellingham Post Office, North Community House.

Precinct 3. One copy in each of the following places: South Bellingham Variety, Gagne's Drug Store, Cote's Market, Bellingham Amusement Club.

Attest:

HAROLD E. COOK  
Constable of Bellingham

A true copy. Attest:

Bellingham Town Clerk.

**SPECIAL TOWN MEETING****November 30, 1956**

In accordance with the foregoing Warrant given under the hands of the Selectmen on November 19, 1956, the inhabitants of Bellingham qualified by law to vote in elections, and town affairs, met in the Bellingham High School Auditorium on Friday, November 30, 1956 at 8:00 P. M. and proceeded to act on the articles of the Warrant as follows:

The meeting was called to order at 8:05 P. M. by Moderator Andor deJony, followed by the reading of the Warrant by Town Clerk, Lionel R. Trudeau. There being more than 100 voters present, the quorum required by the By-Laws was established.

ARTICLE 1. On motion of Alfred M. Cote, duly seconded, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,500.00 for Snow Removal; said sum to be raised by transfer from the Surplus Revenue Account. (Recommended by the Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 2. On motion of Peter Kornicki, duly seconded, it was voted to appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for the Fire Department; said sum to be raised by transfer from the Forest Fire Department Account. (Recommended by the Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 3. On motion of William Crouse, duly seconded, it was voted to hear, accept, and place on file the report of the School Building Committee. (Recommended by the Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 4. On motion of David L. Tuttle, duly seconded, it was voted to authorize the construction, original equipping and furnishing of an elementary school in the Town; to be constructed on land owned by the Town on Harpin Street, the Elementary School Building site, so called; that the sum of four hundred and fifty-two thousand dollars (\$452,000.00) is hereby appropriated to meet the cost of constructing, originally equipping and furnishing said school building; and that said appropriation shall be raised in the following manner: the sum of two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00) shall be transferred from Surplus Revenue; and the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be and hereby is authorized and directed to borrow the sum of two hundred and fifty-thousand dollars (\$250,000.00) under authority of and in conformity with Chapter 645 of Massachusetts Acts of 1948, and acts in amendment thereof and in addition thereto; and the sum of two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000.00) under authority of and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor payable in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44 of the General Laws (Tercentenary Edition) to mature in not over twenty years from their respective issue dates as may be determined by the Treasurer and Selectmen.

Said sums to be expended for the aforesaid purpose under the direction of the School Building Committee appointed by the Moderator under authority of the vote of the Town under Article 25 of the March 1956 Annual Town Meeting.

The vote on the above was a hand vote which was counted and attested to by duly qualified tellers and the result of said vote was as follows:

YES—425

NO — 24

Two thirds being 300, the motion was declared carried. Recommended by majority of Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 5. On motion of Fred B. Holmberg, duly seconded, it was voted to establish a School Planning Committee of nine members to study and investigate the future school needs of Bellingham; said committee to consist of the superintendent of schools, the chairman of the school committee, and seven persons to be appointed by the Moderator, with each voting precinct to be equally represented on said committee; and that said committee report annually to the town. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

ARTICLE 6. On motion of Clarence W. Malo, duly seconded, it was voted to establish a Stabilization Fund in accordance with Section 5B of Chapter 40 of the General Laws, and appropriate thereto the initial sum of \$10,000.00. Said sum to be raised in the tax levy for the year 1957. (Recommended by Finance Committee)

On motion of James E. Wrenn, duly seconded, it was voted to dissolve the Warrant at 10:45 P. M.

A true copy. Attest:

Bellingham Town Clerk

**ANNUAL REPORT**

**BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS**

**Recorded in the**

**TOWN OF BELLINGHAM, MASS.**

**For the Year Ending December 31, 1956**





# BIRTHS RECORDED IN BELINGHAM IN THE YEAR 1956

161

Date of Birth	Name of Child	Name of Parents
January		
2	David L. Roy	Urban and Edna (Gagnon) Roy
2	Rene R. Girard	Rene and Therese (Poulette) Girard
6	Alan R. Bourgeroy	Raymond and Josephine (Canichelli) Bourgeroy
10	Carol J. Arnold	Walter and Alberta (Norcross) Arnold
12	Donna A. Patrick	Merle and Mary (Robinson) Patrick
15	Baby Boy Diamond	John and Irene (McEllister) Diamond
16	..... Darling	David and Irene (Boyle) Darling
16	Joan M. Evers	Henry and Ellen (Heavey) Evers
22	Linda A. Michalik	Lester and Irene (Woleck) Michalik
22	Michael R. Bileau	Joseph and Therese (Handfield) Bileau
25	Dorothy E. Keane	Robert and Anna (Condon) Keane
30	Claire A. Cote	Edmond and Florence (Grandpre) Cote
30	Denise J. Lemire	Raymond and Claire (Defond) Lemire
-- 30	Cheryl A. Benoit	Samuel and Helen (Arnold) Benoit
February		
1	Dennis P. Picard	Arthur and Theresa (Chamberland) Picard
4	Mary J. Galuza	Alex and Rita (Courtemanche) Galuza
13	Andrea J. Kozimor	Frank and Dorothy (Freeman) Kozimor
17	Donna L. Kayarian	Leon and Joyce (Mowry) Kayarian
17	Lenard L. Masse	Lucien and Annette (Remillard) Masse
19	..... Patrick	Lewis and Mildred (Pleau) Patrick

21	Linda V. Lemire	Eugene and Muriel (Belisle) Lemire
23	Paul E. Lussier	Ronald and Vivian (Lebonte) Lussier
26	Deidre M. Daly	Harry and Claire (Richard) Daly
29	Patricia Arel	Marcel and Lillian (Arcand) Arel
March		
1	Gary R. Cote	Robert and Muriel (Richer) Cote
5	Roberta Lussier	Constant and Maureen (Hannigan) Lussier
7	George L. Hurteau	George and Florence (Sawyer) Hurteau
8	Ronald G. Corriveau	Joseph and Pierrette (Lesieur) Corriveau
10	Roland J. Fournier	Gabriel and Mary (Mandeville) Fournier
12	Joseph V. Glowka	Victor and Lillian (Trainque) Glowka
14	..... Accorsi	Robert and Ethel (Gaskill) Accorsi
16	Patricia M. Armstrong	Leo and Gabrielle (Croteau) Armstrong
17	Mark H. Masson	Henri and Muriel (Duhamel) Masson
28	Anne M. VanAmburgh	Robert and Margaret (McPartland) VanAmburgh
April		
14	Michael F. McGurk	Paul and Dorothea (Anderson) McGurk
14	Anne M. Seavey	Edward and Christine (Cameron) Seavey
19	John P. Kinneil	Francis and Gladys (Overton) Kinneil
20	Paul D. Dupre	Raymond and Esther (Thibeault) Dupre
21	Michael E. Guerin	Henry and Rose (Roy) Guerin
28	..... Sikonski	Edward and Helen (Mostek) Sikonski
28	Albert F. Dorval Jr.	Albert and Lucienne (Vaillant) Dorval
30	..... Bellacqua	Columbo and Gertrude (Dennehy) Bellacqua
May		
4	Gertrude M. Leclaire	Lionel and Gertrude (Tetreault) Leclaire
5	..... Janiszeski	James and Helen (Bondzul) Janiszeski

6	Dana B. Eiland	Ralph and Marie (Haven) Eiland
12	Diane M. Leclaire	Arthur and Claire (Desrochers) Leclaire
12	Cynthia M. Senecal	Bertrand and Doris (Couture) Senecal
14	..... Stratman	Benjamin and Rachel (Cotten) Stratman
18	Barbara E. Daley	Robert and Marguerite (Bradley) Daley
30	..... Lovejoy	Jerry and Constance (Bolduc) Lovejoy
June		
1	Jules B. Fleurette	Andre and Aline (Guy) Fleurette
5	Lori-Jean Fafard	Henry and Alice (Piersanti) Fafard
5	Brian V. Perrico	Victor and Myrtle (Berg) Perrico
6	Paul W. Foley	William and Catherine (Madonna) Foley
6	Kevin T. Foley	William and Catherine (Madonna) Foley
10	Jerome J. Callaghan Jr.	Jerome J. and Katherine (Betsch) Callaghan
11	Eugene N. Languirand	Earl and Doris (Chamberland) Languirand
11	Cheryl L. Iannetti	Frank and Cynthia (Perry) Iannetti
14	Steven E. Verhoest	Camille and Theresa (Duhaime) Verhoest
20	Mary T. Bienkiewicz	Frank and Frances (Stavinski) Bienkiewicz
23	Ronald P. Recore	Raymond and Lorraine (Casey) Recore
23	..... Hartshorn	Kenneth and Barbara (Cook) Hartshorn
23	June M. Lanata	John and Rita (Thornton) Lanata
24	..... Dupre	Richard and Jean (Brunelli) Dupre
25	Dorothy C. Langevin	Oscar and Florence (LeClaire) Langevin
25	Jane M. Laferriere	Normand and Jeannine (Bouvier) Laferriere
28	..... Woodman	Walter and Dorothy (Harroun) Woodman
28	Paul E. Alward	Alfred and Beverly (Christensen) Alward
29	Wendy J. Eaton	Henry and Norman (Aldrich) Eaton

## July

9	Estelle G. Denoyelle	Roland and Beatrice (Vandal) Denoyelle
14	..... Vadeboncoeur	Emile and Angela (Beauregard) Vadeboncoeur
14	Dennis R. Cadieux	Robert and Irene (Belanger) Cadieux
21	Roger M. Plouffe	Rogert and Rita (St. Jacques) Plouffe
24	Didier R. Lepoutre	Diddier and Anne (Sander) Lepoutre
25	..... Cheney	William and Shirley (Smith) Cheney
26	Scott A. Ferris	Gordon and Rasma (Apsitis) Ferris
28	..... Stimson	Delton and Rita (Chase) Stimson
30	David M. Chilson	Lloyd and Beatrice (Monroe) Chilson

## August

8	..... Marshall	Thomas and Gloria (Simmons) Marshall
11	Francis J. Gadbois	William and Marjorie (Arnold) Gadbois
11	Wendy L. Smith	Nelson and Elizabeth (Kenrick) Smith
15	Richard L. Landry	Romeo and Lucienne (Roberge) Landry
18	Laura V. Biron	Bernard and Therese (Sauvageau) Biron
22	Rolande Dalpe	Joseph A. D. and Madeleine (Janelle) Dalpe
22	Karen E. Debigare	Lucien and Eleanor (Bojok) Debigare
22	Gloria G. Stanley	Joseph and Gabrielle (Couture) Stanley
28	..... Nicholson	Thomas and Eunice (Foley) Nicholson
28	Brian T. Dicks	Frederick and Odelie (Breault) Dicks

## September

1	Dennis M. Champagne	Ernest and Jeanne (Cournoyer) Champagne
5	Thomas A. Downey Jr.	Thomas A. and Dorothy (Lesieur) Downey

Alfonso and Gloria (Mucciarone) D'Aniello  
 William and Ann (Lupien) Habel  
 Gerard and Regina (Hilliard) Couture  
 Charles and Muriel (Bibeault) Spear  
 Maxwell and Lucille (Renaud) Clark  
 Herbert and Virginia (Mullins) Barrett  
 Alexander and Anna (Cardin) Goulet  
 Edgar and Lorraine (Labossiere) Doiron

Jean P. and Lucille (Landry) Trudel  
 Jeremiah and Helen (Romikiatas) Padula  
 Emile and Pauline (Blanchette) Renaud  
 Herve and Marion (Archambault) Richer  
 Roland and Theresa (Cartier) Trottier  
 Frederick and Ann (Mahan) Zariczny  
 Benigno and Mary (Molloy) Leone

Albert and Lucienne (Belanger) Anger  
 Lucien and Yvette (Ledoux) Gagne  
 Arthur and Jeannette (Cabana) Mitchell  
 Armando and Barbara (Fortin) Delasanta  
 Verne and Nancy (Fawcett) Brown  
 Edgar and Angela (Gigante) Chevalier  
 Ernest and Blanche (Chamberland) Lamothe

Joseph C. D'Aniello  
 Willis L. Habel  
 Peter G. Couture  
 ..... Spear  
 Linda L. Clark  
 Herbert W. Barrett III  
 Andre M. Goulet  
 ..... Doiron

Sandra A. Trudel  
 ..... Padula  
 Maurice P. Renaud  
 Herve E. Richer  
 Roland J. Trottier  
 Glen E. Zariczny  
 Peter B. Leone

Helen R. Anger  
 William F. Gagne  
 Joanne D. Mitchell  
 Jeffery A. Delasanta  
 Linda J. Brown  
 Donna M. Chevalier  
 ..... Lamothe

## October

1 Sandra A. Trudel  
 3 ..... Padula  
 17 Maurice P. Renaud  
 20 Herve E. Richer  
 22 Roland J. Trottier  
 22 Glen E. Zariczny  
 22 Peter B. Leone

## November

2 Helen R. Anger  
 2 William F. Gagne  
 3 Joanne D. Mitchell  
 3 Jeffery A. Delasanta  
 6 Linda J. Brown  
 9 Donna M. Chevalier  
 10 ..... Lamothe

13	Arthur A. Gareau	Emile and Theresa (Rondeau) Gareau
14	Glenn C. Grenon	Raymond and Lois (Vesprei) Grenon
15	Deborah J. Grover	Roger and Gloria (Porembski) Grover
16	Douglas C. Clark	Arthur and Marjorie (Hull) Clark
16	Jayne M. Chisholm	James and Helen (Tedeschi) Chisholm
21	..... Cifizzari	Pasquale and Marion (Evers) Cifizzari
29	..... Richards	Robert and Frances (York) Richards
December		
1	Debra C. Brunelle	Albert and Theresa (Pierre) Brunelle
1	Catherine A. Flynn	Francis and Mary (Gibbons) Flynn
5	Linda J. Carchio	Dominic and Florina (Dufresne) Carchio
10	Stephen G. Berardi	Ralph and Therese (Damplo) Berardi
16	Juliet M. Bibeault	Normand and Jeannette (Dubois) Bibeault
17	Normand De Casse	Anthony and Yvette (Lavigne) De Casse
19	George A. Pelletier	George and Lucille (Robitaille) Pelletier
23	Suzanne T. Carrier	Robert and Anita (Majeau) Carrier
23	Gayle J. Lavallee	Hector and Marguerite (Giguere) Lavallee
26	Lucille G. Dalpe	Leo and Germaine (Boucher) Dalpe
26	..... Choquet	Rene and Lorraine (Brunelle) Choquet
28	Richard P. Roy	Roger and Constance (Duval) Roy



## MARRIAGES RECORDED IN BELLINGHAM IN THE YEAR 1956

Date of Marriage	Name of Principals	Residence
January		
4	Armand Joseph Moyen Anita Edna Pelletier	Bellingham, Mass. Woonsocket, R. I.
21	Joseph Brothers Frances McMahon	Northbridge, Mass. Upton, Mass.
February		
11	William J. Healey Vivian M. Brisson	Johnston, R. I. Bellingham, Mass.
18	Paul H. Eldridge Theresa A. (Beaudoin) MacWilliam	Wayland, Mass. Milford, Mass.
25	Frank J. Donessoni Doris S. (Evers) Lauze	Hopedale, Mass. Milford, Mass.
March		
8	Normand Plante Barbara Dilloyen	Bellingham, Mass. Woonsocket, R. I.
9	Carlton L. Patrick Mildred I. (Crooks) Graves	Bellingham, Mass. Bellingham, Mass.
10	Carl L. Beal Jr. Marie T. Vecchiolla	W. Medway, Mass. Milford, Mass.
17	Robert Allard Marion Southwick	Woonsocket, R. I. Blackstone, Mass.
April		
7	Francis J. Hamm Margaret Mary Mason	Medway, Mass. Medway, Mass.
7	Eugene P. Trudeau Mary Ann (Blank) Lanning	Bellingham, Mass. Wilkes-Barre, Pa.
14	Thomas L. Batts Barbara A. Castagnaro	Boston, Mass. Bellingham, Mass.
14	Walter F. Nadolny Antoinette Pizzi	Bellingham, Mass. Franklin, Mass.
14	Philip C. Lanciault Kay F. Stevens	Oxford, Mass. Bellingham, Mass.
14	Richard Genereux Lorraine C. Levasseur	Bellingham, Mass. Woonsocket, R. I.
21	Robert A. Minot Gladys I. Anderson	Bellingham, Mass. Woonsocket, R. I.
21	Phillip E. Connolly Bella E. Rue	Woonsocket, R. I. Bellingham, Mass.
21	Roland Alcide Gagnon Marlene Teresa Canestrari	Bellingham, Mass. Woonsocket, R. I.
28	Theodore O. Leduke Janet A. Fortin	Woonsocket, R. I. Bellingham, Mass.

28	Edward W. Besterfield	Franklin, Mass.
	Barbara A. Dutilly	Franklin, Mass.
28	Paul Firmin Belisle	Bellingham, Mass.
	Sylvia Marie Rose Lussier	Woonsocket, R. I.
May		
5	Wilfred J. Graves	Hopedale, Mass.
	Esther Mae (Peckham) Pierson	Bellingham, Mass.
12	Luigi Antonio Cifizzari	Milford, Mass.
	Alice Rose Richardson	Woonsocket, R. I.
12	Norman E. Forcier	Woonsocket, R. I.
	Lucille G. Brouillette	Bellingham, Mass.
19	Fred S. Randall	Rumford, R. I.
	Lorraine Downing	Uxbridge, Mass.
19	James Robert Ahearn	Milford, Mass.
	Phyllis Ann Lombardi	Milford, Mass.
26	Joseph Michael Celozzi	Milford, Mass.
	Virginia Ione (Smith) Goodnow	Milford, Mass.
27	Howard E. Thayer	Bellingham, Mass.
	Elizabeth Reardon	Franklin, Mass.
30	Rene B. Laferriere	Bellingham, Mass.
	Marjuerite C. Grenier	Bellingham, Mass.
June		
2	John A. Ragosta	Providence, R. I.
	Gertrude P. Belisle	Bellingham, Mass.
15	Albert Destrempe	Woonsocket, R. I.
	Margaret Vincent	Uxbridge, Mass.
16	John H. Armstrong	Stone, Kentucky
	Joy MacCracken	Pawtucket, R. I.
16	Carl R. Adams	Bellingham, Mass.
	Anne C. Watson	Mendon, Mass.
23	Robert A. Trahan	Pawtucket, R. I.
	Therese H. Majeau	Bellingham, Mass.
25	Thomas Benway	Bellingham, Mass.
	Cedulie (Chartier) Fournier	Blackstone, Mass.
26	Joseph W. DePasquale	Milford, Mass.
	Carol Ann Carchio	Milford, Mass.
29	Ernest A. Sene	Blackstone, Mass.
	Viola E. (Pleau) Rochefort	Woonsocket, R. I.
30	Osa J. Cartier	Woonsocket, R. I.
	Cecile Ouillette	Bellingham, Mass.
30	Robert J. Jolicoeur	Woonsocket, R. I.
	Cecile C. Trudeau	Blackstone, Mass.

## July

1	John F. Williams Stephanie (Ptak) Waselewski	Milford, Mass. Milford, Mass.
1	Joseph M. Bogus Anne F. Dobbie	Hopedale, Mass. Bellingham, Mass.
1	Edward J. Richard Helen White	Bellingham, Mass. Norwood, Mass.
4	John V. Dagesi Barbara Pingeton	Worcester, Mass. Worcester, Mass.
4	Daniel R. Whitehouse Claire E. Forget	Woonsocket, R. I. Bellingham, Mass.
13	Robert Peloquin Helen L. Godin	Woonsocket, R. I. Woonsocket, R. I.
14	Nathan M. Siegel Betty Louise Lipsett	Hopedale, Mass. Bellingham, Mass.
14	Robert L. Morin Martha Jane McNaul	Woonsocket, R. I. Bellingham, Mass.
14	Francis N. Rousseau Pauline Cora Pelletier	Woonsocket, R. I. Bellingham, Mass.
21	Raymond Addle L'Hereux Eleanor May Byron	Woonsocket, R. I. Milford, Mass.
27	Leo Milotte Marion Keach	Woonsocket, R. I. Woonsocket, R. I.
28	Leo Paul Bacon Edna (Darling) Gravel	Woonsocket, R. I. Blackstone, Mass.

## August

11	Walter D. Vater Patricia Powers	Bellingham, Mass. Bellingham, Mass.
12	Harold F. Hodgin Eunice D. Roop	Bellingham, Mass. Bellingham, Mass.
18	Gene Pizzarelli Patricia Benjamin	Woonsocket, R. I. Woonsocket, R. I.
18	Ramsey M. Derosiers Alice Blanchard	Bellingham, Mass. Woonsocket, R. I.
25	Joseph R. N. Rochefort Florence Laquerre	Woonsocket, R. I. Bellingham, Mass.
25	Ransford A. Conley Jr. Claire L. Gagne	Bellingham, Mass. Woonsocket, R. I.
26	William A. Spear, Jr. Marlene L. Sanborn	Bellingham, Mass. Bellingham, Mass.
27	Leona A. Kroll Edward F. Landry	Franklin, Mass. Ute, Iowa

## September

1	Stanley M. Henry	Franklin, Mass.
	Beverly Ann Cram	Bellingham, Mass.
1	Charles H. Espanet	Milford, Mass.
	Elmira S. Y. Adams	Bellingham, Mass.
3	Bernard Plouffe	Bellingham, Mass.
	Dorothy Zagrodny	Blackstone, Mass.
3	Robert Nelson Liard	Bellingham, Mass.
	Irene C. Ducharme	Lincoln, R. I.
8	Leo George Brown	Bellingham, Mass.
	Evelyn Rose Dias	Bellingham, Mass.
8	Raymond L. Pantano	Bellingham, Mass.
	Claudette R. Lemire	Bellingham, Mass.
8	Robert Eugene Nutting	Bellingham, Mass.
	Cecile Theresa Bouchard	Hillsboro, N. H.
15	William J. O'Coin Jr.	Woonsocket, R. I.
	Claire H. Gauthier	Bellingham, Mass.
22	Donnie Reginald Swain	Roanoke, Va.
	Jowena F. Scalzi	Milford, Mass.
22	Robert R. Lizotte	Bellingham, Mass.
	Christena Ann McDonald	Bellingham, Mass.
22	Charles A. Camelli	Bellingham, Mass.
	Theresa Rita Crane	Woonsocket, R. I.
29	Raymond Lytwynic	Woonsocket, R. I.
	Jennie Rose Sannicandro	Milford, Mass.

## October

6	Jessie J. E. Joseph	Bellingham, Mass.
	Lucia B. Pierannunzi	Woonsocket, R. I.
7	Carmine M. Saccardo	Milford, Mass.
	Marie An Tomaso	Milford, Mass.
13	Laurent Lemire	Bellingham, Mass.
	Jane Bernard	Wilmington, Vermont
18	Lawrence C. Southwick	Blackstone, Mass.
	Lillian (Parkhurst) Branch	Blackstone, Mass.
20	James H. Sartini	Pawtucket, R. I.
	Vivian Bell	Bellingham, Mass.
27	John J. Wasylean	Bellingham, Mass.
	Violet D. Manseau (Normandin)	Woonsocket, R. I.

## November

9	Robert F. Smith	Milford, Mass.
	Loretta S. Lavallee	Uxbridge, Mass.
10	Charles E. Smith	Bellingham, Mass.
	Kae R. Arwood	Newton, Iowa
10	Alfred P. Cote	Bellingham, Mass.
	Edna A. Boulanger	Bellingham, Mass.
11	Ronald J. Dolloff	Franklin, Mass.
	Esther P. Turner	Bellingham, Mass.

17	Lawrence E. Leach	Milford, Mass.
	Lucille L. Poirier	Milford, Mass.
18	Shirley N. Leighton	Bellingham, Mass.
	Virginia (Megerdishiam) Peloquin	Whitinsville, Mass.
22	Joseph P. Murphy	Woonsocket, R. I.
	Barbara L. J. Godin	Bellingham, Mass.
24	Carlton Ralph Francey	Milford, Mass.
	Pearl F. (Webster) Getchell	Milford, Mass.

## December

1	Thomas E. Kirby	Holliston, Mass.
	Sandra J. Brown	Holliston, Mass.
7	Richard F. Gardner	Bellingham, Mass.
	Kathryn Birmingham	Milford, Mass.
8	William J. Brummitt	Franklin, Mass.
	Marie D. Woodman	Bellingham, Mass.
22	Richard W. Phelps	Bellingham, Mass.
	Joanne L. Crowley	Bellingham, Mass.
23	Daniel D. Dahl	Roseburg, Oregon
	Ruth J. Weiss	Bellingham, Mass.
29	Richard C. V. Alward	Mendon, Mass.
	Beverly A. Godin	Bellingham, Mass.





# SCHOOL DIRECTORY 1956-57

## SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Name	Address	Term Expires
Joseph F. Spas, Chairman	South Bellingham	1958
Abbey E. Fagan	North Bellingham	1957
Eugene Lemire	South Bellingham	1959
Louis Daigle, Jr.	Bellingham	1959
Roland A. Robidoux	South Bellingham	1958

## SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Percy L. Rowe, Boston University, Ed. M. Office: Bellingham Center School. The Superintendent may be seen at any time by appointment. Telephone: Milford 3725.

## SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

Dr. Harold L. Shenker  
Telephone: Keystone 3-6333  
Medway

## SCHOOL NURSE

Lucy King, R.N.  
Telephone: Milford 862  
Milford District Nursing Association

## ATTENDANCE OFFICERS

The janitor of each building and the Superintendent of Schools

## TRANSPORTATION AGENTS

Johnson Bus Lines, Inc.  
Telephone: Milford 230  
Milford

## SUPERVISORS

Name	Subject	Where Educated	Degree or Years	Began
William L. Rhinehart	Handwriting	University of Pittsburgh	M.A.	1934
Christine M. Wilson	Music	N.E. Conservatory of Music	3 yrs.	1948
Marjorie W. Sheehan	Art	Cleveland Institute of Art	4 yrs.	1956
John W. DiLibero	Guidance	Holy Cross College Boston College	A.B. Ed.M.	1956

## TEACHERS

### High School

Name	Subject	Where Educated	Degree or Years	Began
Edward F. Collins, Principal	Psychology	Northeastern University	B.B.A.	1941
James J. Keough	Latin, Government	R. I. College of Education	Ed.M.	
M. Louise Kelley	English	Providence College	A.B.	1936
William Conlan		Emmanuel College	A.B.	1944
		Brown University	A.B.	1949
Emile Niedzwiadek	Business Adm. Driver Education	Boston University Calvin Coolidge College	Ed.M. L.L.B.	1955
Francis Flynn	Science		A.B.	1947
Jeremiah Kellett	Math, Science	St. Anselm's College	B.S.E.	1955
Lionel R. Trudeau	French, Latin Math, Government Driver Education	Worcester S. T. College Providence College	B.A.	1956
Marjorie R. Murphy	Commercial Ed.	Emmanuel College	B.S.	1956

Carolyn M. O'Neil	Home Economics	Framingham S. T. College	B.S. in Ed.	1956
George H. Stevens, Jr.	English, Math	Providence College	B.A.	1956
Diane Shatas (Resigned)	Commercial Ed.	Salem S. T. College	B.S.E.	1954
Stasia Monty (Resigned)	Home Economics	R. I. University	B.S.	1955
South School				
<b>Name</b>	<b>Subject</b>	<b>Where Educated</b>	<b>Years Degree or</b>	<b>Began</b>
Anthony C. Minichiello, Principal	Supervision	Holy Cross College Boston University	A.B. Ed.M.	1945
Bernard Biron	Grade 8	Suffolk University	B.L.	1954
John DiLibero	Grade 7	Holy Cross College Boston College	A.B. Ed.M.	1951
Carolyn O'Connor	Grade 7	Amhurst College	B.S.	1955
Elizabeth Sullivan	Grade 6	Worcester S. T. College	B.S.E.	1942
Virginia Shaw	Grade 6	Bridgewater S. T. College	3 yrs.	1955
Anna Callahan	Grade 5	Our Lady of the Elms	A.B.	1952
Helen Keough	Grade 4	Worcester S. T. College	2 Yrs.	1951
Barbara Rhode	Grade 4	R. I. College of Education	Ed.B.	1951
Anita Freeman	Grade 3	University of Alabama	B.S.	1950

Helen Spont	Grade 3	R. I. College of Education	Ed.B.	1953
Gertrude Worrall	Grade 2	Hyannis S. T. College	Summers	1945
Ruth Robidoux	Grade 1	R. I. College of Education	Ed.B.	1951
Albert Lavallee (Resigned)	Grade 8	Providence College	Ph.B.	1955

		Center School		
Name	Subject	Where Educated	Degree or Years	Began
Edward J. Rabatoli, Principal	Grade 8	University of Mass.	A.B.	1949
Walter Nadolny	Grade 7	St. Michael's College	A.B.	1954
Irene Oliver	Grade 6	Framingham S. T. College	2 Yrs.	1954
Helen Mahedy	Grade 5	Regis College	A.B.	1949

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		North School		
Name	Subject	Where Educated	Degree or Years	Began
Clara Macy, Principal	Grade 3	Hyannis S. T. College	Summers	1914
Laura Clancy	Grade 4	Framingham S. T. College	2 Yrs.	1945
Nancy Leone	Grade 2	Providence-Barrington Col.	A.B.	1954
Isabella Murphy	Grade 1	Regis College	A.B.	1936

		Janitors		
Alfred Godin		High School		South Bellingham
Rosario Trudeau		South School		South Bellingham
Carlton Gaskill		Center School		Bellingham Center
William McMahon		North School		North Bellingham

## SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR PERIOD JANUARY, 1957 TO JUNE, 1957

### HIGH SCHOOL

#### Open

January 2, 1957  
February 25, 1957  
April 29, 1957

#### Close

February 15, 1957  
April 18, 1957  
June 21, 1957

### SUMMER VACATION

September 4, 1957  
January 2, 1958  
March 3, 1958  
April 28, 1958

December 20, 1957  
February 21, 1958  
April 18, 1958  
June 20, 1958

### ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

Same as High School except:

Close June 14, 1957  
Close June 13, 1958

### SCHOOL NOT IN SESSION

Memorial Day Observance May 30, 1957  
Teachers Convention Day October 25, 1957  
Veterans Day Observance November 11, 1957  
Thanksgiving Recess November 28-29, 1957

### AGE OF ADMISSION TO SCHOOL

Any child who becomes six years of age on or before January 1st of the year following the term when he wishes to enter school may be admitted into the first grade, but in every case the admission of a child under six shall be dependent upon the fitness of the child to profit by the work of the school, such fitness to be determined by the Superintendent. Pupils under seven years of age who have not previously attended school shall not be permitted to enter later than thirty days after the opening of school in September.

### NO SCHOOL SIGNAL

The no-school signal will be broadcast at exactly 7:00, 7:15, and 7:30 over WWON in Woonsocket. Also before, during or immediately after news broadcasts over WNAC, WBZ, WMOO, and WNRI. If there is no school in the morning there will be none in the afternoon.

In the event that schools do not close on any particular bad day (rain, snow, cold, or other severe weather) parents are requested to use their own judgment in regard to sending their children to school.

## FINANCIAL REPORT

**For the Year Ending December, 31, 1956**

General Appropriation	\$201,467.00	
Total Expenditures	201,058.38	
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Unexpended Balance		\$ 408.62

### Reimbursements

State Aid	\$ 55,003.78	
Superintendent (Salary-Transportation)	2,240.92	
All School Transportation	16,609.62	
State Wards (Tuition-Transportation)	767.8	
Tuition	562.46	
Vocational Education	57.30	
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Total Reimbursements		\$ 75,241.06

### Taxation Costs of Schools

Total Expenditures	\$201,058.38	
Total Reimbursements	75,241.06	
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Net Cost by Taxation		\$125,817.32

### Expenditures

School Committee Expense	\$ 551.50
Registration of Minors (Census)	750.00
Superintendent's Salary	4,320.00
Superintendent's Secretary's Salary	1,368.00
Superintendent's Expenses	531.28
Supervisors' Salaries	2,803.24
Supervisors' Expenses	200.00
Teachers' Salaries	118,849.01
Textbooks	3,631.86
School Supplies	3,216.53
Janitors' Salaries	12,029.68



Fuel	6,226.02	
Gas	23.80	
Electricity	1,519.78	
Telephones	757.48	
Advertising	70.85	
Janitors' Supplies	1,858.10	
Water	80.00	
Decorating	25.00	
Replacements	3,390.72	
Repairs	9,153.59	
Libraries	174.07	
Health Service	2,391.62	
Transporation	24,502.86	
New Equipment	805.47	
Driver Education	738.56	
Insurance	1,089.36	
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Total Expenditures		\$201,058.38

# AGE GRADE (HIGH SCHOOL)

OCTOBER 1, 1956

Grade	Sex	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	Total	Grand Total
Freshmen	M		11	22	3	2			38	
	F	1	22	18	7				48	86
Sophomores	M			7	11	6	2		26	
	F			9	10	2			21	47
Juniors	M			1	8	7	2		18	
	F				10	17	3	1	31	49
Seniors	M						9	1	10	
	F					11	7	1	19	29
Total	M		11	36		15	13	1	92	
	F	1	22	27		30	10	2	119	
GRAND TOTAL										211

# AGE-GRADE ENROLLMENT (ELEMENTARY)

OCTOBER 1, 1956

Grade	Sex	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	Total	Grand Total
1	M	9	29										38	71
	F	5	28										33	
2	M		6	27	2								35	69
	F		7	27									34	
3	M			7	34	10							51	94
	F			10	32	1							43	
4	M				8	32	2						42	90
	F				11	32	4	1					48	
5	M					15	19	4					38	70
	F					10	15	6	1				32	
6	M						6	14	9	7	1		37	89
	F						13	29	8	2			52	
7	M							10	23	9	6		48	79
	F							6	20	2	2	1	31	
8	M								6	13	12	3	34	60
	F								9	11	4	2	26	
Total	M	9	35	34	44	57	27	28	38	29	19	3	323	622
	F	5	35	37	43	43	32	42	38	15	6	3	299	
GRAND TOTAL														622

## REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the School Committee of Bellingham:

Gentlemen:

It is with pleasure that I submit for your consideration my annual report as Superintendent of Schools.

Fewer changes than usual occurred in our school faculties in 1956. During the year resignations were received from the following teachers: Mr. Albert Lavallee, Miss Diane Shatas, and Mrs. Stasia Monty. Mr. Lavallee taught Grade Eight when it was in the High School building and French at the High School level. Miss Shatas and Mrs. Monty were on the High School faculty and taught commercial subjects and homemaking respectively. Mr. Carlo Geromini finished out the year ending in June for Mr. Lavallee and Mr. Lionel R. Trudeau was permanently engaged for this position. Miss Marjorie R. Murphy replaced Miss Shatas in the commercial department at the High School and Miss Carolyn M. O'Neil was appointed to fill the position in home economics left vacant by the resignation of Mrs. Monty. Due to increased enrollment in the High School an additional teacher was necessary and Mr. George H. Stevens, Jr. was named by the School Committee for this position. The South, Center, and North School teaching staffs remain the same as last year. It was impossible to find an art supervisor for over a year. In October Mrs. Marjorie Sheehan, a graduate of the Cleveland School of Art, was engaged to fill this important position. Mr. John DiLibero, of the South School faculty, was placed in charge of guidance, on a part time basis, early in the year. Salary increases granted in 1956 are largely responsible for the very small percentage of teacher changes.

Regular day to day classroom instruction has been maintained on its usual high level. All of our teachers are doing an excellent job. Many new books have been purchased. Ample supplies have been furnished to all schools. Several new typewriters have been added to the commercial department in the High School. A new slide projector is in use at the Center School. A new tape recorder was purchased for the South School. Seventy-five additional new steel folding chairs have been placed in the High School auditorium. A new set of "World Book" encyclopedias has been purchased for the South School for reference work. Our special supervisors in the fields of handwriting, music, art, and guidance are all doing a splendid job. Although our art supervisor, Mrs. Marjorie Sheehan, did not begin her work until October the program is well under way and excellent progress is being made. All children are intensely interested in art and drawing. Many children have been found that have special talent along this line. The guidance work under the direction of Mr. John DiLibero, supervisor, is progressing exceptionally well. Considerable testing has been done and a great deal of counseling on the upper grade and High School level. This program is very beneficial to all pupils and teachers alike.

Early in the year a number of principals, teachers, and supervisors became interested in having a course in education given in Belingham in the fall. The State Department of Education was consulted and through their cooperation such a course was organized through the Division of University Extension. The course was entitled "Classroom Guidance—With Particular Emphasis on Testing." The course was given by Mr. G. Flint Taylor of the Worcester State Teachers College faculty. It carried three semester hours credit towards a bachelor's or Master's degree. A majority of our teachers availed themselves of this opportunity for in-service advancement. It not only benefits our teachers but also our school children. The course was given during the fall months at the High School building.

All elementary principals and teachers attended a one day conference, or workshop, in the new elementary school in Upton in October. Teachers from Grafton, Hopedale, Mendon, Upton, Uxbridge, and Whitinsville also took part. The theme of the conference was "Improvement in Written Expression." Several of our teachers participated in the program. These conferences are very beneficial and helpful to all of our teachers.

One of the greatest advances in education in many years occurred in 1956, namely, the voting by the townspeople for a new fourteen elementary school on the town owned site adjacent to the High School building. The citizens of the town are to be warmly congratulated and complimented for their interest in this badly needed new school building. The School Building Committee has worked with the School Committee on this matter in a most cooperative manner. It is not definitely known just when this school will be ready for occupancy, but barring strikes, labor disputes, transportation tie ups, shortages of essential materials, etc., it should be completed in the early part of 1958.

The annual increase in enrollment figures still creates a problem. When the new fourteen room elementary school is completed it should take care of the school population for the next two or three years, possibly a little longer. Since 1950, when the town's rapid growth began, there has been an increase in first graders over births six years previously of about 175 per cent. It is very difficult to predict what will happen to the town's building program for the next five or six years. Assuming that it will grow in the next five or six years as it has in the past few years we could have a total enrollment in 1965 of over 1900 pupils. Should this expansion continue another elementary school of perhaps 10 or 12 classrooms would be necessary around 1960 or 1961. This school should probably be located between the Center and North sections of town. Another factor, which is very important, and which is unknown at this time, is whether or not Assumption School will enlarge. If it does not enlarge, about 1959-1960 and each year thereafter, we could expect 60 or more pupils to

enter grade six of the public schools. If it does enlarge, about the same number would probably enter the freshman class of the High School about two years later.

Estimated enrollments at the High School indicate that the present school building could adequately take care of all High School pupils until about 1960. After that year High School enrollment should increase rapidly each year for several years and by 1965 there might well be over 450 pupils. Hence, by 1958, plans must be made for the High School expansion that will occur about 1960-1961. As of now there seem to be only three ways that this can be done: 1. Bellingham joining with another nearby town or towns in forming a regional high school or junior-senior high, 2. Bellingham building its own high school or junior-senior high school, and 3. going on double sessions. This last is very undesirable and should not even be considered. The School Department, School building committee, and school planning committee must deliberate very carefully in the next year or two to better decide just what action the town should take in order to prepare for the best education possible for all children of the town.

Each year in May registration days are held so that each and every parent in town can register all children who are to enter school in September in grade one. This registration is becoming more and more important each year. It is absolutely essential that the School Department know well in advance approximately how many first grade children to plan for at the opening of school in September. All parents are requested and urged to register all children who will enter grade one for the first time in September, 1957.

Early in the year a school milk program for the pupils in all schools was inaugurated. This is connected with the Federal-State School Lunch Program and enables children to purchase milk at a very low cost. Children at present are paying three cents per half pint bottle of whole white homogenized milk which is the only kind that can be served under this arrangement. The town is reimbursed for the balance of the cost. Mr. Walter Nadolny was milk coordinator until October when Mr. George H. Stevens, Jr. took over the work. From the very first this project was extremely successful with a very large number of children purchasing milk to drink at recess time or to supplement their noon lunches.

A very important step was taken during the year in regard to the health program. Perfecting of the Salk polio vaccine made it possible to inoculate all persons in town from age six months through nineteen — also expectant mothers. More than 1700 have received shots and almost all have received two shots. The third shots are to be given in January to all through age 14. Those in the fifteen through nineteen year age group will receive their third inoculations in March or April, well before the beginning of the 1957 polio season. All this



has been a tremendous undertaking. Many clinics have been held in the various school buildings. All clinics were held under the direction of Dr. Harold L. Shenker, School Physician, assisted by the school nurses and members of the District Nursing Association. Many hours of work by many persons were necessary for the success of the program. The Board of Health, Dr. Shenker, all of the nurses of the District Nursing Association, and all of the directors, principals, teachers, volunteer workers, newspapers, radio stations, parents, and many others have done a splendid job in carrying out this project. All Bellingham children who have received the inoculations should now be immune to this dread disease.

The annual census and distribution of all minors in town between the age of three and 16 was taken in October, 1956. Figures shown are as of October 1, 1956. The figures in this table will not necessarily agree with the figures in the Age-Grade Enrollment chart. The results of the annual registration of minors is as follows:

	5 years or over and under 7	7 years or over and under 16
Boys	185	529
Girls	152	507
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Totals	337	1,036

Distribution of minors:

In public school membership	88	690
In private school membership	109	340
Not enrolled in any school	140	6
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Totals	337	1,036

There were 128 children three years of age and 160 four years of age.

Rather extensive repairs have been made this year over and above regular routine repairs, such as heating, plumbing and electrical. Most important was a complete new roof at the High School building. Other repairs consist of, High School: new locks on doors, painting and refinishing toilet rooms, painting sashes in auditorium, refinishing ceiling of auditorium, and basement and hallway painting.

Seventy-five additional all steel folding chairs were also purchased for auditorium use. South School: Painting exterior trim for entire building and entrances, roof repair, installation of two outside bubblers, and new lavatory for the health room. Center School: New bulkhead, new entrance porch lights, interior painting. North School: New fluorescent lighting in one classroom, and interior painting. During this year and the latter part of last year, four of the eight South classrooms have been equipped with modern new individual movable desks and chairs. These replace very old, worn, and obsolete desks.

Among the items to be considered for the improvement of our educational system would be the following: increasing salaries in as much as possible in order to obtain and retain excellent teachers; improvements to the old wooden school buildings, such as new flooring, lighting and furniture; keeping all buildings in the best of repair, and improvements to grounds. It will also be necessary for the School Department and any building or planning committees to study anticipated future school population growth very carefully in order to prepare adequately for all children of the town.

In conclusion I wish to express to you my sincere thanks for your efforts in making the past year a most successful one. The assistance and cooperation of the principals, teachers, school physician, school nurse, supervisors, townspeople, parents, and pupils is also deeply appreciated.

Resectfully submitted,

PERCY L. ROWE

Superintendent of Schools

## REPORT OF THE HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

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Mr. Percy L. Rowe  
Superintendent of Schools  
Bellingham, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Rowe:

I herewith submit my fifteenth annual report as Principal of Bellingham High School.

The enrollment for the year, as of October 1, 1956, was 211. This is an increase of 18 students over October 1, 1955. The summary shows that there were 29 seniors, 49 juniors, 47 sophomores, and 86 freshmen. There are no longer any elementary grades housed in the High School building.

The program of studies and the graduation program have been submitted separately and will follow this report.

Last year, 1955-1956, from an opening day enrollment of 193 we had 16 students leave school — eight girls and eight boys. This represents a drop-out rate for the year of 8.3 per cent.

The passing grade at our school is 70 per cent and certifying grade is 80 per cent. This means that accredited colleges will not require entrance examinations in any subject in which our students have received a certifying grade. However, this is not to be confused with the College Entrance Examination Board tests which are being required by a greater number of colleges every year. These latter tests are national tests which have to be handled entirely by the student and are for the purpose of finding out if the individual has the innate ability to do academic work at the college level. They are intended to measure his high school achievement.

Mrs. M. Louise Kelley is our Dean of Girls. She does an excellent job of handling the many problems of our girl students.

Our annual magazine drive was conducted in the Fall and was successful because of the efforts of most of the students and the cooperation and generosity of the townspeople.

Our basketball team finished the season with a record of 12 wins and seven losses. The baseball team won eight and lost seven. At this writing our present basketball team has won six and lost three. We are now members of the Dual-County League.

Our track team, which is only three years old, had its most successful season. Mr. Flynn's boys won three championships — the Knights of Columbus meet at Worcester, the State meet at Boston, and the So. Central Massachusetts League cup. I know you join with us in offering the coach and the boys our congratulations.

Again this year the Bellingham Lions Club honored the basketball team and the cheerleaders with a banquet. We deeply appreciate this friendly gesture.

The class of 1956 spent their Easter vacation sight-seeing in New York, Washington, and Virginia. The class was chaperoned by Mrs. Louise Kelley and myself. We sincerely hope that the class of 1957 will be financially able to take the same trip.

Our annual yearbook "The Epilogue" was published by the class of 1955 under the supervision of the class advisor, Mrs. M. Louise Kelley. Our advertising staff received a very kind reception from the business and professional men in our area, and we wish to thank them for their generous cooperation.

Graduation exercises were held on Thursday, June 21, 1956. We graduated a class of 34 members. Twelve students completed the College course, 16 students completed the Commercial course, and six students completed a General course. From the College course we have five students in college, two who will enter this September, one in junior college, one in military school, two in Nursing school, and one in the armed forces. Students from other courses are also in the armed forces and some are attending business schools.

Our present plans call for Senior exercises to take place during the week of June 16 as follows: Class Day, June 17; Banquet, June 18; Outing, June 19; Graduation, June 20; Commencement Ball, June 21.

To the people of the Town of Bellingham, the Lions Club the American Legion and its Auxiliary, Rev. Albert A. Bergeron, the Parent-Teacher Association, and the Superintendent of Highways, we wish to express our thanks for the very fine support given the school during the past year.

In conclusion, I wish to express to you, Mr. Rowe, our appreciation for your cooperative supervision and very helpful suggestions and ask you to convey to the members of the School Committee our thanks for their help in making this year a very successful one.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD F. COLLINS

Principal of the High School

# BELLINGHAM HIGH SCHOOL

Bellingham, Massachusetts

## PROGRAM OF STUDIES — 1956-1957

### GRADE IX

COLLEGE COURSE		COMMERCIAL COURSE		GENERAL COURSE	
Required	Credits	Required	Credits	Required	Credits
English I	5	English I	5		
Algebra I	5	Gen. Science	5		
Gen. Science	5	Jr. Bus. Tr.	5		
Latin I	5	Civics	5		
Civics	5	Anc. History	5		
Anc. History	5	Elective			
		Home Ec.	5		

### GRADE X

COLLEGE COURSE		COMMERCIAL COURSE		GENERAL COURSE	
Required	Credits	Required	Credits	Elective	
English II	5	English II	5	Business Math	5
Algebra II	5	Type. I	2½	Home Ec.	5
French I	5	Economic Geog.	5	Biology	5
World Hist.	5	Business Math	5	World Hist.	5
Elective		Elective		French I	5
Latin II	5	French I		Algebra II	5
Biology	5	Biology	5		
Home Ec.	5	World Hist.	5		
		Home Ec.	5		

**GRADE XI**

<b>Required</b>	<b>Credits</b>	<b>Required</b>	<b>Credits</b>
English III	5	English III	5
U. S. History	5	U. S. History	5
Pl. Geom.	5	Type. II	2½
*Chemistry	5	#Short. I	5
French II	5	Book. I	5
<b>Elective</b>		<b>Elective</b>	
Home Ec.	5	French II	5
		Home Ec.	5

**GRADE XII**

<b>Required</b>	<b>Credits</b>	<b>Required</b>	<b>Credits</b>
English IV	5	English IV	5
*Chemistry	5	Stenog. II	5
<b>Elective</b>		Office Pract.	5
French III	5	Book. II	5
Math. III-IV	5	Economics	2½
Democracy	5	Comm. Law	2½
Psychology	5	<b>Elective</b>	
		French III	5
		Psychology	5

\*One year of Algebra is a prerequisite for Chemistry.

#One year of Typing is a prerequisite for Shorthand.

No more than 1 credit gained from the pursuit of exart-curricular activities will be allowed toward graduation in any one year.

Driver Education is offered 4 days a week for 1 semester to any senior who will be 16 years of age by January and who does not hold an operator's license. 2½ credits. Driver training on the road to assist in getting license is included.



EIGHTEENTH  
COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES  
of

BELLINGHAM HIGH SCHOOL

Class of 1956

HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM

Thursday, June 21, 1956 8:00 P. M.

SENIOR CLASS OFFICERS

JOSEPH DiPIETRO

President

GEORGE PINCINCE

Vice-President

MURIEL DALPE

Secretary

EDWIN DESCHAMPS

Treasurer

CLASS MOTTO

Forward ever; backward never

CLASS COLORS

Blue and Gold

CLASS ADVISOR

Louise B. Kelley

PRINCIPAL

Edward F. Collins

SUPERINTENDENT

Percy L. Rowe

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Joseph F. Spas, Chairman

Abbey E. Fagan

Louis Daigle, Jr.

Roland A. Robidoux

Eugene Lemire

## PROGRAM

Processional	Class of 1956
Invocation	Rev. Mildred Palmer
Salutatory	Norina A. Pierannunzi
"My Beautiful Lady"	Glee Club
Awarding of Prizes	Mr. Joseph F. Spas Chairman, School Committee
American Legion Award	Mr. Bernard R. Biron
Address to Graduates	Dr. Martin O'Connor President, Framingham State Teachers College
"Bless This House"	Glee Club
Presentation of Diplomas	Mr. Joseph F. Spas
Valedictory	Joseph Scaccia, Jr.
Class Song	Class of 1956
Benediction	Rev. Albert A. Bergeron
National Anthem	Assembly
Recessional	Class of 1956

## CLASS OF 1956

Albert William Beauregard  
 Ronald Berneche  
 Henri Remi Blain  
 Patricia Ann Bouliane  
 Carol Ann Chaplin  
 Joseph Bugbee Chlisczyk  
 Carlton Clifford Cramb\*  
 Muriel Rita alpe  
 Edwin Calvin eschamps\*  
 Joseph Faustino DiPietro\*\*  
 Rene Henry Dufresne  
 Thomas Paul Duprex\*  
 Gladys Gloria Gaudini  
 Beverly Ann Godin\* \*  
 Forest Bruce Golden\*  
 Leon Camille Henrard\*  
 Constance Eva Lemire

Winifred Irene Lemon  
 Carol Joan Locklin  
 Dorothy Ann McNaul  
 Robert Stanley Mowry\*  
 Norina Anna Pierannunzi\*  
 George Simon Pincince  
 Janet May Powers  
 Robert Arthur Rondeau  
 Marlene Louise Sanborn  
 June Frances Savaria  
 Joseph Francis Scaccia, Jr.\*  
 Normand Andre Trudeau\* \*  
 Joseh Robert Simon Turcotte  
 Norman Neil Turner  
 Carol Ann Valati  
 Brenda Louise Worrall  
 Patricia Ann Yerka\*

\*Honor Students

## REPORT OF SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

Mr. Percy L. Rowe

Superintendent of Schools

Bellingham, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Rowe:

The following is a report of the work done by me as School Physician for the Town of Bellingham for the year 1956.

Routine physical examinations were done as required by law. Approximately 1200 children were examined and were inoculated against Polio. The general health of the children was found to be good.

I want to thank you, the teachers, Miss Grace Moran, R.N. and Miss Lucy King, R.N. for your splendid co-operation during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD L. SHENKER, M.D.

School Physician

## BELLINGHAM SCHOOL NURSING REPORT 1956

Mr. Percy L. Rowe  
Supt. of Schools  
Bellingham, Mass.

May we submit to you the Annual School Nursing Report for the year ending December, 1956.

The schools were visited each week when in session. Registration was held at the schools on May 24th and 25th. The Norfolk County Health Association conducted their annual chest clinic on Oct. 17th. Members of the senior class and any member of school personnel desiring an x-ray were done at this time. The reports on senior class x-rays were negative.

During October and November, the school nurse, assisted Dr. Harold Shenker, school physician, with the physical examinations. Grades 1, 4, 7 and 10, and all boys interested in athletics were included. These findings will be included in Dr. Shenker's report. Notices regarding these defects were sent home to parents and guardians by the school nurse.

Antigen clinics were held in Bellingham schools on March 16th, April 13th and May 11th. Pupils in Grades 1, 6 and 11, with signed permission slips were given booster doses; and all the pre-school children whose parents desired it, were done at these clinics.

Vaccination clinic was held on June 1st in all schools. Dr. Shenker was assisted at this time by the school nurse. Eighty-six children were vaccinated.

In the early part of the year we had a few cases of chicken pox and mumps; three reported cases of rheumatic fever. Colds, sore throats and virus infection were prevalent at intervals. All pupils were inspected, weighed and measured during the year.

Audiometer and vision testing was completed; and notices regarding defects were sent home to parents and guardians.

Thirteen Salk polio clinics were held at intervals throughout the year. Dr. Harold Shenker, assisted by the District Nursing staff, Board members of the Association and volunteer workers. Many hours were spent preparing for these clinics. We had the utmost cooperation from Dr. Shenker, Board of Health, Mr. Percy Rowe, Supt. of Schools, and his secretary, Mrs. York, principals and teachers; all were most helpful. I wish to extend my sincere thanks for the time and courtesy during the clinics. It was a busy time for all workers, but — for such a worthy cause, helping to wipe out a vicious disease — time was of little consequence.

In closing may we thank Mr. Rowe, Dr. Shenker, the principals and teachers for their courtesy and cooperation; the school Committee and town officials for their support and the parents, who have always made it a pleasure to work in Bellingham.

Supervisor

GRACE V. MORAN, R.N.

School Nurse

LUCY KING, R.N.

## REPORT OF MUSIC SUPERVISOR

To the Superintendent of Schools:

My dear Mr. Rowe:

My format for teaching music in the Bellingham Schools has been carried on this past year very much the same as in previous years. We have had some set-backs and some feelings of accomplishment. There have been times when the results seem to be hardly worth the effort, and times when the response has been truly elevating.

As you know, my work depends a great deal upon the willingness and musical ability of the grade teachers, and some of the teachers find music a difficult subject to teach. As a result some grades have a large number of non-musical youngsters. Remedial work with these children, when left entirely for me on my biweekly visit, slows down the progress in class work, making these rooms behind schedule. I do not think this situation would exist if the allotted 100 minutes per week (at least) were spent on music — and spent wisely. I agree with Dr. Edward Gilday of Lowell State Teachers' College, whom I quote: "The grade teacher can and should teach music; it is a paradox to say that children can learn to sing and to read music, but that the teacher cannot." We also have some teachers who do such excellent work in music that their training carries the class through one and two consecutive years with teachers who practically omit music from their lesson plans.

Now for a bright note! I am very happy about the attitude which our Bellingham High Teen-agers are taking toward a certain national figure, whom TV, the "movies" and certain magazines are glorifying. I have not seen in class any admiration nor imitation of the DA haircut, suggestive hip-wiggle and neurotic sounds that the "great" E. P. calls singing. I think this is fairly indicative that the level of cultural entertainment for the Bellingham High boy and girl is not low.

Again, I want to thank you, Mr. Rowe, for your understanding. I am grateful also to all the principals and teachers, and members of the School Committee, for their cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

CHRISTINE M. WILSON

Supervisor of Music Education

## REPORT OF ART SUPERVISOR

To Mr. Percy L. Rowe  
Superintendent of Schools

Dear Mr. Rowe:

Because of my recent engagement as the Supervisor of Art in the Bellingham Schools, I am unable to make a report on the Art Program before October of 1956.

At the present, grades 4-8 are studying color theory, design, and perspective drawing, while the younger children, grades 1-3 are exploring the possibilities of their media through line and mass.

This year an Art Class is being offered in the High School to give the students at that level the opportunity to study creative drawing and painting, as well as, the basic fundamentals of lettering and perspective.

The holiday season offers many facets of creative activity for the child, and all of the classrooms were gayly hung with festive ornaments, pictures, and window decorations designed and made by the students.

I have found the children at all levels very receptive to this type of expression. Their principals and teachers are encouraging and anxious for them to develop the talents they possess.

Thank you, Mr. Rowe, the School Committee and the teaching staff, I know that I can expect fine cooperation with the Art Program for the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,

MARJORIE WERNER SHEEHAN

Supervisor of Art



## REPORT OF GUIDANCE DIRECTOR

Mr. Percy L. Rowe  
Supt. of Schools

Dear Mr. Rowe:

The following is my report as Guidance Director for the year 1956:

I have attempted, with your cooperation and the cooperation of the principals, supervisors and teachers of all the Bellingham schools, to organize a guidance program which would provide each student in our schools with the help he needs to make a good adjustment to his school and community.

The major service provided at the Junior and Senior High level is counseling. In addition group guidance classes are conducted at the eighth grade level.

Meetings with you and the principals have resulted, among other things, in an organized testing program which will provide information necessary in the evaluation of the individual student's potential and helpful in the counseling process.

Individual tests have been administered at both elementary and secondary levels. These are more accurate measures of potential than the more common group tests and are helpful in determining appropriate remedial measures as well as in predicting future academic success.

Meetings with teacher groups have resulted in better understanding of existing problems and an approach to solving some of them has been made.

It is felt that the present allotment of time to the program is far from adequate and the recommendation is made that the program be placed on a full time basis.

Respectfully submitted

JOHN W. Di LIBERO

Guidance Director



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